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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Mrs. Seffel says she is willing to meet any punishment the law may inflict upon her for aiding the Biddle brothers to escape. —— A young woman student in the Academy of Fine Arts, Philadelphia, committed suicide. —— One man killed and two men injured by an explosion of nitro-glycerine at Ardwick, Md. ——At a fire in St. Louis last night a building collapsed and a number of firemen were buried in the ruins. ——The loss by the Waterbury fire will not exceed $1,500,000. —— Nine firemen were killed in the St. Louis fire last night. —— The Venezuelan revolutionary steamer Libertador has been sunk by a Venezuelan gun-boat. —— Three coal barges lost in the storm Sunday night and thirteen people perished. —— Schooner Orlando V. Wooten, from Savannah to Baltimore with lumber, is ashore at Cape Hatteras. —— Senate passed the bill to increase the salaries of judges. —— The House continued discussion on the oleomargarine bill. ——Total of exports of gold from New York Thursday will be $3,750,000. —— —— New York markets: Money on call steady at 2½@3 per cent.; cotton steady at 8 1-16c; flour dull but steady; wheat—spot steady, No. 2 red 67½c; corn—spot easy, No. 2 69½c; oats—spot firm, No. 2 49¼c; rosin steady; spirits turpentine firm at 43½@44c.

WEATHER REPORT

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE,
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 4

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 39 degrees; 8 P. M., 38 degrees; maximum, 50 degrees; minimum, 30 degrees; mean, 40 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since 1st of the month to date, 1.00 inches.

STORM WARNING.

At 2:50 P. M. northwest storm signals were ordered at Norfolk and other stations along the coast to New York. A strong depression was developing off the North Carolina coast; will cause high north, shifting to northwest winds along the middle Atlantic and New England coasts.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—For North Carolina: Fair Wednesday; probably rain or snow at night and Thursday; fresh northeasterly winds.

Port Almanac—February 5.

Sun Rises	6 58 A. M.
Sun Sets	5.30 P. M.
Day's Length	10 H .32 M.
High Water at Southport	5 53 P. M.
High Water Wilmington.	8 23 P. M

A Chicago woman wants a divorce because her husband insists on her living in that city. A St. Louis person would pronounce this a sufficient provocation.

The Philippine grabbers in Congress object to letting the Filipinos "go to the devil," as suggested by Senator Money, when a good many of them are heading that way themselves.

In addition to those Boer troubles American cattle are becoming scarce in England and the supply of beef short. Since he has become accustomed to eating American beef this is tough on John Bull.

What shocking news it must have been to the European looters who went through Pekin, when they learned that when the Empress returned they dug up about $140,000,000 of buried money and other treasure.

It isn't money that Captain Hobson is after, but fame. He is reported to have said that he declined an offer of $50,000 from manager Pond for twenty five lectures to be delivered within a month from the beginning of the course. Perhaps he objects to being managed.

Prince Henry is quoted as saying that his visit to this country has been "the dream of his life" which now comes like "a gift from heaven." We hope he will enjoy it, and if he keeps his eyes and ears open he may, in addition to having a good time, pick up some valuable pointers.

Some of the denizens of Kokomo, Ind., adopted an original and heroic way to drive the smallpox out of that town. They attacked a house where a patient was confined and threatened to lynch him at once if he didn't vacate and take the s. m., with him. At last accounts we hadn't heard whether he went, or whether he came out to talk the matter over with them and they went.

The latest aerial invention is a cruiser, to navigate the air. It is built of aluminum, weighs 40,000 pounds and will be navigated by a crew of eight men. It can, according to the inventor, scud over ships and towns, drop bursting things upon them, and put them out of business. He wants space to exhibit it at the coming St. Louis Exposition. Whether demolishing things is to be part of the exhibit programme is not stated.

LOCAL DOTS.

— There were sales of spirits turpentine at 3:30 P. M. yesterday at 40@41 cents.

— Christian Science services at the Masonic Temple, room No. 10, this evening at 8 o'clock.

— The ladies' social session that was to be held at the Elks' Home, has been postponed until another date.

— The annual meeting of the Mechanic's Home Association will be held to-night at 8 o'clock in the city court room.

— British steamer *Murcia*, 1,694 tons, Capt. Orchard, arrived yesterday from Baltimore for a cargo of cotton from Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son.

— Mrs. George Worth has kindly consented to address the Foreign Missionary Society of Grace M. E. church this afternoon at 4 o'clock. A full attendance is desired.

— The alarm of fire at 11:50 A. M. yesterday was on account of a small blaze occasioned by sparks from a chimney at the residence of Charles Anderson, colored, 913 North Ninth street; damage about $2.00.

— By deed filed for record yesterday Samuel Bear, Sr., and wife transferred to George Schnibben a parcel of land in the Rock Hill plantation, containing about five acres; consideration $1.00, a former deed having been lost.

— The Pender Publishing Company of Burgaw, N. C., has been incorporated with a capital stock of $3,000. The object is the publication of a weekly paper and J. B. Black and Milton McIntosh are among the incorporators.

— In the Mayor's court yesterday Charles Burnett and Owen Quince, both colored, were each fined $10 for disorderly conduct, and Tom Gilligan was required to pay the costs in a case against him for an assault upon Daniel L. Salter.

— The schooner *Cora M.*, in charge of that jolly craftsmaster, Capt. Mitchell, arrived yesterday from Nuevitas, Cuba. Capt. Mitchell had a "rip-roarin'" good breeze all the way and made the voyage of over 800 miles in four days.

—"Railroad Jack," which appears at the Opera House this evening will arrive from Fayetteville, and the "real live lion" will be exhibited on the streets. The comedy is said to be the funniest on earth and abounding in sensationalism.

— Members of the family in Wilmington yesterday received telegraphic advices of the critical illness at her home in Fayetteville, of Mrs. N. H. Smith, sister of Sheriff Frank H. Stedman and Miss Fannie W. Stedman, of this city.

— The Whiteville Lumber Company, of Whiteville, N. C., has been incorporated, to begin business with $12,000 capital, but the capital stock shall be $25,000. Among the stockholders are J. A. Brown, R. E. L. Brown, J. A. Maultsby and J. T. McKenzie.

— A spark from the fire-place caused a blaze which damaged the residence of Mr. A. B. Skelding, No. 407 South Front street, to the extent of about $100 yesterday afternoon. The department responded to a telephone alarm and saved the building and contents from further destruction.

— The STAR returns thanks to the Howard Relief Company for an invitation to attend its forty-sixth anniversary ball next Tuesday night in Germania Hall. The committee of arrangements is composed of Messrs. C. F. VonKampen, J. W. H. Fuchs, M. G. Tienken, H. Gieschen and P. N. Fick.

— Mr. W. W. Koch, the wood dealer, says the point he desired to make at the meeting of the County Commissioners Monday afternoon was that the tax imposed by the Legislature on both "coal and wood" yards was not applicable to a "wood" yard alone as conducted by him. To be in the contemplation of the law he thinks one amenable to the tax must conduct a yard of both wood and coal as opposed to wood alone.

SOUSA'S BAND FRIDAY NIGHT.

Fresh From Tour Abroad Great Musical Organization Will Appear Friday.

The fame, prestige and popularity of John Philip Sousa know no geographical limitations; the superior merits and permanent success of the great musical organization which bears his name have been securely established in the musical centers of the world. The universal and unqualified praise bestowed upon the American conductor and composer and his men, when they first visited the great cities of Europe, in 1900, was unanimously indorsed with unmistakable enthusiasm on the recent visit of the band to Great Britain.

Sousa has just returned to America and is now engaged upon his 20th semi annual concert tour which will bring his great band here for a concert on next Friday evening. The soloists will be Maud Reese-Davies, soprano; Dorothy Hoyle, violiniste; and Arthur Pryor, trombone, who shared in the British triumphs of the organization. Seat sale begins this morning at Gerken's.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

J. R. Marshall—Bankrupt sale.
Notice—Special Announcement.
Mechanics' Home Asso'n—Meeting.
N. C. Home Building Association—Annual report.

BUSINESS LOCALS

Found—Bunch of keys.
Salesman—Position wanted.
W. M. Cumming—A bargain.

COMMERCIAL ISSUES.

Business Organizations of City Will Invite Speaker to Address Them.

EXCHANGE MANAGERS MET.

Regular Monthly Meeting Yesterday Afternoon—River Appropriation Deemed Insufficient — Other Matters Were Discussed.

A number of matters of interest to business men were considered at yesterday's regular monthly meeting of the Board of Managers of the Produce Exchange, President Pearsall presiding. Among the most important items was the launching of a movement to have some representative speaker of national reputation address the business men of the city on the commercial issues of to-day. It was pointed out that Charlotte has had Senator McLaurin, Governor Aycock and others to address its commercial organizations from time to time and it was thought that such enterprise on the part of Wilmington would be beneficial and of interest.

Upon motion of Mr. L. B. Rogers, a committee consisting of Messrs. D. L. Gore, J. W. Norwood and H. C. McQueen was appointed by the president to confer with the Chamber of Commerce and Merchants' Association relative to the subject. Those organizations are expected to appoint other representative business men to compose a joint committee on invitation.

The following resolution as to the lower Cape Fear river and harbor improvement was adopted unanimously:

"*Resolved*: That in view of the scant appropriation for the improvement of our harbor and the lower Cape Fear, the Secretary be instructed to communicate with our Senators and Representatives requesting them to urge Congress to make a fuller appropriation, more in conformity to the views of the engineer in charge of the work."

As before stated in these columns $186,000 was the amount recommended by Capt. Lucas, but this has been cut down to $100,000 by the River and Harbor Committee of Congress and it is said that the latter amount will not be sufficient to maintain the improvements in the Cape Fear as they now stand.

Mr. L. B. Rogers for the committee on double daily passenger and mail service on the S. A. L., reported that a letter had been received several weeks ago from General Manager Barr stating that he would visit Wilmington to look over the field as soon after Feb. 1st as possible, but since that time nothing had been heard from him. Mr. Rogers stated that the committee had written another letter to Mr. Barr urging him to come as early as convenient but to the last letter no reply had yet been received.

The committee on faster freight service to Raeford, Rock Fish and other points on the S. A. L. reported progress and were continued. A recent change in Superintendents was ascribed as the cause of delay.

Messrs. Ackers & Leonard, the new agents in Wilmington for the Cuhady Packing Company, were unanimously elected to membership in the Exchange.

Messrs. James Sprunt, Wm. Calder and Charles W. Worth were appointed by the president to prepare a suitable tribute to the memory of the late member, Mr. James H. Chadbourn, and the secretary was instructed to set apart a page in the record book in his honor.

The other matters before the Board were entirely routine.

CO-OPERATIVE B. & L. ASSOCIATION.

Annual Meeting Held Yesterday Afternoon. Election of Directors and Officers.

The annual meeting of the Co-operative Building and Loan Association was held yesterday afternoon at 4:15 o'clock at the office of Mr. Thomas H. Wright, the secretary and treasurer, No. 114 Princess street. Mr. W. E. Worth presided and a committee to verify proxies consisting of Messrs. B. C. Moore and T. W. Davis reported that 583 out of 1,144 shares were represented. Thereupon the meeting was declared open for business.

Mr. Thos. H. Wright, the secretary and treasurer, read his annual report which was highly satisfactory to the stockholders and indicative of a substantial growth of business the past year. Mr. W. E. Worth, the president, also reported a healthy condition of the Association's finances.

The following directors were elected for the ensuing year: W. E. Worth, D. O'Connor, N. F. Parker, Jurgen Haar, DuBrutz Cutlar, B. C. Moore, Ernest Williams, H. Lacy Hunt, M. S. Willard, H. J. Gerken and Thos. H. Wright.

Upon adjournment of the stockholders the directors met and re-elected W. E. Worth, president; N. F. Parker, vice-president; Thos. H. Wright, secretary and treasurer, and DuBrutz Cutlar, attorney.

Duplin Court Postponed Indefinitely.

Owing to the smallpox situation in Duplin county the Superior Court for that county will not meet on Feb. 10th as had been expected; so the February term has been indefinitely postponed. The health authorities have gotten the smallpox epidemic under good control and do not wish to take the risk attendant upon a term of court where people attend from every section of the country. A telegram received here yesterday from the clerk makes it certain that no court will be held.

MR. HUGH LEE MILLER.

Young Man, Once Resident Here and Popular, Died Yesterday Noon at Columbia, S. C.—The Funeral.

Telegrams received in Wilmington yesterday conveyed the sad intelligence to friends here of the death at noon, same day, of Mr. Hugh Lee Miller, who was a well known and popular resident of this city prior to his removal to South Carolina about two years ago. His death resulted from tuberculosis of the throat, after an immediate illness of only about ten days.

Deceased was born in Goldsboro, N. C., and was in the 32nd year of his age. He received his early education in the Goldsboro Graded schools; entered the University of North Carolina in 1886 and was graduated in 1890 with honors, taking a post graduate course in chemistry the following year. After leaving the University he was made assistant professor of chemistry and professor of physics in the A. & M. College, at Raleigh, which positions he filled with marked ability for nearly two years. He then accepted the position of chemist with the Navassa Company of this city, and until 1898 remained here in that capacity and as salesman and superintendent. At the outbreak of the Spanish war he resigned and served with the North Carolina Naval Brigade as ensign on the U. S. S. *Nantucket*, which commission he held until the close of the war.

Returning to Wilmington in the fall of 1898, he resumed his connection with the Navassa Company and upon its consolidation with the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company, he was appointed division manager of the Manufacturing Department, Interior Division of South Carolina, with headquarters at Charleston. After a few months residence in Charleston his health failed, and having been granted several months leave of absence he made an extended trip through Mexico and Southern California to recuperate.

On his return in 1900, he removed to Columbia and in the following April was married to Miss Purden Smith, of York, Pa. The Summer was spent by them in Asheville, but the climate not being altogether suitable to Mr. Miller's health they returned to Columbia. It was then that he began to fail rapidly, and in the hope that he might recover, his company voluntarily extended him a second absence of indefinite length, and he and Mrs. Miller had expected to leave for Southern California in a few days, when death overtook him.

Mr. Miller was one of the most popular young men in Wilmington, and during his residence here made many warm personal friends, to whom his death is a great shock. While his friends knew of his condition, yet they had strong hopes for his ultimate recovery and were not prepared for the sad news received yesterday.

His remains will be taken to his old home at Goldsboro, where he is survived by his father, Dr. Jno. F. Miller, four brothers and three sisters, his mother having died last Summer. To them and to his widow is extended the deepest sympathies of his many warm friends and old associates.

ANNUAL MEETING YESTERDAY

Wilmington Seacoast Railroad Stockholders Elected Officers—Beach Trolley Line to be Decided Upon Later.

The first annual meeting of the stockholders of the Wilmington Seacoast Railroad Company, under its new management, was held yesterday morning, beginning at 11 A. M., and continuing with the Board of Directors' meeting, until about 2 o'clock in the afternoon. The meeting was held in the rooms of the Merchants' Association, in the Seaboard Air Line building, and 1,155 shares out of 1,495 were represented either in person or by proxy.

The business of the meeting was principally routine and consisted of the reading of annual reports and a general discussion of the private affairs of the road. The following Board of Directors was elected: Chas. W. Worth, George R. French, G. Herbert Smith, James H. Chadbourn, J. W. Norwood, Oscar Pearsall, Hugh MacRae, M. F. H. Gouverneur and W. W. Randolph.

At a subsequent meeting of the Board of Directors Hugh MacRae was elected president of the road; M. F. H. Gouverneur, vice president; H. Woollcott, secretary and treasurer; W. W. Randolph, consulting engineer and traffic manager; A. B. Skelding, superintendent, and R. Oscar Grant, assistant superintendent.

The matter of converting the road to Wrightsville beach into a trolley line was discussed at some length, but definite action was deferred until a subsequent meeting, which will be held upon the arrival of Mr. W. W. Randolph, the consulting engineer, from New York. It is expected that Mr. Randolph will arrive here within the next few days.

Sold Yesterday at Auction.

Geo. H. Howell, commissioner, yesterday sold at public auction to Thos. H. Wright a five-room dwelling and lot on west side of Seventh between Church and Castle streets, size 45x106 feet; consideration $610. Mr. Howell was commissioner in a suit entitled James Williams et al. vs. Evilena Meares Hubert, Messrs. Empie & Empie being attorneys for the plaintiffs.

THE POULTRY SHOW.

First Annual Exhibit Under Auspices Wilmington Association Opened Yesterday.

AN AGREEABLE SURPRISE.

Success of Show is Already Assured. Nearly 500 Visitors After 4 P. M. Ladies and Children in Large Numbers Are Attending.

The first annual Poultry and Pet Stock Show, under the auspices of the Wilmington Live Stock Association, opened its doors to the public at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

All day long the enterprising superintendent, the untiring secretary and individual members of the Association were hard at work placing the exhibits and everything now is ship-shape and it will be a surprise as well as a rare treat to those who visit the show to-day. No money, time or labor has been spared and those who have an eye for the beautiful in the poultry kingdom will be fully recompensed for spending a short while at the show each day.

Upon the right hand as one enters the door he finds the exhibit of peafowls, geese, game and Asiatic chickens. There are some 20 or 25 entries in this class. To the left may be found the exhibits of Barred Plymouth Rock fowls seen. There is an unusually large number of very fine birds in this exhibit. Upon the opposite side of the same bench are the White and Buff Plymouth Rocks. These are the objects of admiration by all who visit the show. At the end of the first aisle is a cage containing the pair of Mammoth Bronze turkeys shipped by Kornegay & Son, of Mount Olive. The larger of the two tips the beam at exactly 37 pounds. There is also at the end of this bench a "polly parrot" exhibited by Mrs. S. W. Sanders, of Wilmington.

On an adjoining bench to the left is to be seen a creditable display of Brown Leghorns, Blue Andalucians, White and Black Minorcas and a miscellaneous exhibit.

On the last bench to the left may be seen a number of very fine Belgian Hares, and Peruvian and Abyssinian Cavies. There is also in this same vicinity the exhibit of bantams and Japanese Silkies. The Silkies are exhibited by Mr. W. C. Armstrong, secretary of the Association, and are attracting much attention.

It would be in vain for a novice to attempt a description of everything good to be seen, but it is sufficient for the public to know that possibly 99 per cent. of the 460 persons who visited the show yesterday afternoon and last evening were fully satisfied and many of them will go again before the week is over. The place is kept neat and clean and polite attendants show the visitor everything that is to be seen. Ladies may go to see the exhibits with the utmost propriety, as the management has begun from the very start to require good order. Many of those who visited the fair yesterday were ladies and children.

The local fanciers are exhibiting in large numbers, but the out-of-town breeders will make it warm for them. It is a free for all contest and the best hares, birds and hounds are taking the prizes. Mr. R. L. Simmons, of Gastonia, the judge, is a competent official in every respect and thus far not a kick has been heard. He is secretary of the North Carolina Poultry Association and also edits a poultry paper. He is a clever gentleman and the Association is to be congratulated upon securing his services. He was unable up to a late hour last night to finish judging all the specimens, but he will be up bright and early this morning to finish the job.

Yesterday Mr. Simmons was unable to pick the winners, owing to a tie for first place in Barred Plymouth Rocks. Among the successful ones will be N. M. McEachern, A. O. McEachern, S. E. Keys, J. C. Boesch, of Wilmington, and Mr. P. C. Peele, of Rich Square, N. C. The ribbons on this class will be placed first thing this morning and will be announced tomorrow with a complete list of winners in all classes.

The show will open again this morning and continue until after the Opera House performance to-night. The admission is only ten cents.

Y. M. C. A. Camera Club.

At the annual meeting of the Y. M. C. A. Camera Club Monday night, Mr. Eric Norden was elected president; Dr. Geo. C. Worth, vicep resident; Dr. N. M. Wetzel, secretary and treasurer, and Miss Lucy Chadbourn, librarian. The club has decided to purchase a stereopticon for exhibiting slides made by members and on the third floor of the Y. M. C. A. building lockers will be provided for property of members. A list of historical spots in Wilmington is being arranged to be pictured by members.

Heavy Freight Business.

Florence *Times*, 4th: "For this season of the year the Coast Line's freight traffic is said to be unusually heavy. A short crop of grain having been made car loads of grain are being shipped here from the West, the farmers having to put out cash money for what they failed to make. Flour forms a good part of the heavy shipments. Things are pretty lively at the transfer station. The fertilizer movement has opened up heavy."

For LaGrippe and Influenza use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

For sale by Hardin's Palace Pharmacy.

CHAIRMAN M'QUEEN'S REPLY TO THE MAYOR.

No Conference Was Held With Finance Board Influencing Aldermen Not to Meet—Session Last Night.

There was little or nothing doing in the sewerage controversy yesterday. No bond has yet been given by the company, nor has there been a call for an extra meeting of the Board of Aldermen.

The situation was informally, but not officially, discussed at last night's regular monthly meeting of the Board of Audit and Finance, upon which every member was in attendance.

After the usual routine business had been disposed of Chairman McQueen, of the Board, read the following statement in regard to the alleged connection of the Board of Audit and Finance with the no-quorum proceeding by the Aldermen on the night previous and a copy of the same was furnished the press for publication:

"In reference to the statement of the Mayor published in this morning's papers, I wish to say that no conference was held with the Board of Audit and Finance, the decision of which was that no meeting of the Board of Aldermen would be held last night. Neither the Board of Audit and Finance, nor, so far as I know, any of its members had anything to do with the failure of the Aldermen to meet. Therefore any discussion of what the Board of Audit and Finance has to do with the meetings of the Board of Aldermen or with the legislation of the Board of Aldermen in regard to the streets or any other subject or what they have to do with the Executive Department of the City of Wilmington, seems to be superfluous."

As Kenansville court has been postponed on account of the smallpox situation, the hearing of the Sewerage injunction case on the 14th inst. will have to be held at Louisburg.

Schooner Crosby's Damages.

A wreck report of the schooner *Mary L Crosby*, which was taken off Frying Pan shoals by the Wilmington tug *Jones* last week, was filed yesterday at the Custom House by G. D. Pendleton, agent. Besides giving particulars of the wreck, already published in these columns, it is stated that the vessel was worth $12,000; cargo $3,500; weight of cargo 700 tons; that the damage to vessel is estimated at $5,000; to the cargo $1,000, and that the insurance on the vessel was $2,000. The insurance on the cargo was unknown to the agent.

Hon. Jno. D. Bellamy Here.

Hon. Jno. D. Bellamy arrived in the city yesterday morning from Washington via Raleigh, where he spent part of a day in argument to Judge Purnell in the Green Swamp case. Mr. Bellamy expects to return to Washington this evening. Regarding the Cape Fear river appropriations, Mr. Bellamy says that all the hearings are completed, but the committee has not yet made up its bill. Considerable work is still to be done before the bill can be formulated.

Kathryn Kidder, Feb 17th.

Public curiosity has already been stimulated concerning the appearance of the distinguished star, Kathryn Kidder, who will be seen in this city on Feb 17th at the Opera House in her new play "Molly Pitcher". Glen MacDonough who wrote the piece, looked over the list of American star actresses and finally decided upon Miss Kidder as the artist most competent to fill the requirements of the leading role. Her action as the heroine of the Battle of Monmouth is said to be nothing short of a sensational triumph. She is supported by an unusually strong company that has been selected for the New York run which will commence shortly after her appearance in this city.

Through Trains Via Wilmington.

Florence *Times*, 4th: "North bound vestibule No. 38 had an accident at or near Kenly, N. C., last night and the main line was blocked for several hours. It is understood one of the driving wheel axles on Engineer C. S. Johnson's engine broke. So far as is known no one was hurt. The south bound vestibule, due to leave here at 7:59 A. M., was scheduled to pass about 2 o'clock to day. The vestibule had to come south by way of Wilmington, the main line not being clear. Through freight trains were also delayed.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. J. W. Pharr, of Charlotte, is at The Orton.

— Mr. T. Hoyle Dosher, of Southport, is at The Orton.

— Col. A. H. Slocomb, of Fayetteville, arrived last evening and is at The Orton.

— Mr. J. B. Seavey, of Ivanhoe, N. C., is spending a few days in the city on a business and pleasure trip.

Well Known

Mr. W. T. Croom, of 101 South Front street, suffered for six years with liver trouble, and tried many remedies without relief. One bottle of Globe Tonic done him more good than all other remedies combined. Samples free or $1.00 bottles for 25c at 121 South Front street or 618 North Fourth street.

DIED.

MILLER—In Columbia, S. C., Tuesday, February 4th, HUGH LEE MILLER, in the 32nd year of his age.

Funeral Thursday, 10 A. M., Goldsboro, N. C.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Annual Meeting

Of Mechanics' Home Association to-night at 8 o'clock in the City Court Room.

W. M. CUMMING, Secretary.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

ANNUAL REPORT

To the North Carolina Corporation Commission

Of the North Carolina Home Building Association of Wilmington, N. C., for the year ending December 31, 1901.

ASSETS.

Loans on Bond and Mortgage (face value)	$91,895 00
Loans on other securities	2 5 0
Cash on hand and in bank	3,04 93
Furniture and fixtures	48 7
Insurance	18 93
	$94,123 53

LIABILITIES.

Due shareholders, due installments paid	$47 002 75
Due shareholders, earnings credited	1 97 00
Borrowed money	12 000 00
surplus	3 093 18
	$94,123 93

Report for the Year Ending December 31, 1901.

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand January 1, 1901	$ 1,979 78
Subscriptions on shares	19,633 93
Mortgages redeemed (in whole or in part)	1,380 00
Other loans redeemed	4,905 03
Interest received	3,816 40
Fines received	79 15
Withdrawals	44 50
Initiation	78 10
Gen'l profit and loss (cash over)	1 25
Bills payable	7,720 00
Insurance (Rosella Coles)	2 50
	$39,986 12

DISBURSEMENTS.

Loaned on mortgage	$15,900 00
Loaned on other securities	4,150 00
Paid on withdrawals, dues	17,098 19
Paid on withdrawals, dividends	5 9 2
Salaries	600 00
Advertising and printing	34 75
Notary fees $1 50, N. C. Corporation $3 00	7 00
Postage $3 90 State tax $42 58	45 78
Interest paid	854 0
Bills payable	7,100 00
Insurance (Lizzie Phillips)	3 0
Cash on hand	3,6 3 81
	$50 926 12

Amount of authorized capital	$ 30,000 00
Par value of each share	100 00
Number of shares sold during the year	314 00
Number shares cancelled and withdrawn during the year	178 00
Number of shares in force at the end of the year	1 395 00

FRANK H STEDMAN,
Secretary and Treasurer.

In conformity with law, I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of the sworn statement of the North Carolina Home Building Association, of Wilmington, on December 3 st, 1901 now on file in the office of the North Carolina Corporation Commission.

This the first day of February, 1902.

FRANKLIN MCNEILL, Chairman.
H. C. BROWN, Clerk. feb 5 1t

Special Announcement.

On Monday evening, February 17th, the distinguished actress, Kathryn Kidder, will be seen for the first time in this city in her latest and much talked of success, "Molly Pitcher," the heroine of the American Revolution. Sale of seats will commence February 14th at 9 o'clock sharp. Prices 25c to $1 50. In view of the large number of inquiries regarding this engagement that has already been made at the box office it has been decided that applications for seats sent in before February 14th will be filed in the order of their receipt. feb 5 2t

Opera House
Wednesday, February 5th.
RAILROAD JACK.
12.....Big Specialties.....12
Funniest play ever written.
An Enormous South African Lion.
The most thrilling and hairbreadth climax ever produced on any stage.
Prices 10, 35, 25c. Gallery 15c. feb 2 3t

Opera House
Friday, February 7th.

Sousa
AND HIS BAND.
"The March King."
John Philip Sousa.
Prices $1 50, $1.00. Admission 75c. Gallery 50c. feb 2 3t su we fr

LOOK OVER THIS LIST,

And see if there isn't some one of the articles mentioned you want. Chest Protectors, flannel lined, Hot Water Bottles from ½ pint to 3 quarts. The Woman's Delight Hot Water Bottle is a beauty. Invalid Spit Cups, Feeding Cups, Nose Cups, Ear Cleaner, Manicure Scissors, Rubber Sheeting, House Thermometer, guaranteed correct; Ginger Ale, best make. Hardin's White Pine and Tar will stop that Cough.

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Wanted, Furs.

5,000 Raccoon Skins.
5,000 Fox Skins.
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And Furs of all description. Highest price paid. Quotations furnished on application.

SAM'L BEAR, Sr.,
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Poultry Show,

CITY HALL,

February 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th.

Doors open 10 A. M. to 11 P. M.
Admission 10 cents. feb 4 3t

Sewing Machine Repairing.

ALSO FURNITURE, ORGANS, TYPEwriters, cleaning, revarnishing and upholstering. Will be glad to have the patronage of my many friends and strangers too. Call and see me at No. 8½ North Second street.

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LAST CALL FOR CITY TAXES

Advertising lists now being prepared. Will begin to levy at once on real estate and personal property for unpaid taxes. Pay to-day and save costs.

R. F. KING,
feb 4 3t City Tax Collector.

Will Commence

This morning at 9 o'clock to sell for cash the balance of stock and fixtures of the F. A. Montgomery bankrupt stock in store No. 503 North Fourth street. Also, one saddle and road cart and harness. All persons indebted to said bankrupt will please call at store and make settlement.

feb 5 1t J. R. MARSHALL, Trustee.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

The Goods are Right.

The Prices Are Right!

You want goods that sell.
Here they are if you give them a chance.

Renown Cigars 5 cents.
"Cuban Blossom" Cigars 5c.
"Cremo" Cigars 5c.
"Topical Twist" Cigars 5c.
"Portuando" Cigars 5c.
"Smokett" Cigars 5c.
"Silver Knight" Cigars 5c
"El Capitan" Cigars 10c.

"Star" Tobacco.
"Horse Shoe" Tobacco.
"Battle Ax" Tobacco.
"Schnapps" Tobacco.
"Foot Prints" Tobacco.
"Cabin Home" Tobacco.

Vollers & Hashagen.

Provisioners.

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We Take This Method

Of thanking the generous public for their past valued favors in dispensing patronage at

Our Department Stores.

Many lines of Goods have been closed out; many others partly so; yet, there remains

Various and Valuable Bargains

For the economical householder to ponder over. We are now pushing everything preparatory to giving the general public the

Best Possible Footwear Service

To be had at the lowest possible cost. Try us at the

Same Old Place.

Mercer & Evans Co.

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SOUR KRAUT.

My Childhood's days I think about
When eating Bierman's Sour Kraut.

Our price for this Sour Kraut is 5c per pound, but if you will cut this out and bring it to us next Saturday, February 8, we will give you 7 pounds for 25c. Only one lot sold to each person at this price.

PRUNES, per pound 5c.

CHERRIES, per pound 15c.

H. J. Bierman & Co.,

115 Market Street.
Bell 'Phone No. 38. feb 4 1t

Valentines, Valentines.

Boys and Girls Attention!

A beautiful assortment of Valentines just received.

Prices 1c, 2c, 3c, 5c, 10c to $1.0 each.

C. W. YATES & CO.,

Market Street.

feb 2 1f

Hot Chocolate

—AND—

WHIPPED CREAM

At our Fountain.

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The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD

WILMINGTON, N. C.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, FEB. 5.

A DRAG ON OUR COMMERCE.

In the colloquy between Senators Hale and Hanna, several days ago, when Senator Hanna urged the necessity of adopting some measure that he favored as a means of expanding our commerce and reaching new markets, Senator Hale reported that we had "captured all the markets that were worth capturing," and that he was amazed at the phenomenal achievements under the Dingley tariff. This was simply a bit of party effervescence which has no foundation on fact, for we have not captured all the markets worth capturing, nor are we indebted to the Dingley tariff for the progress we have made in extending our commerce and making an entry into new markets. When Republicans in or out of Congress sing the praises of the Dingley tariff they give it credit for what Providence and man have done for this country before the protective policy, as it is understood these days, was thought of. Providence planted iron, coal, stone, various other minerals, oil, etc., in the earth, and covered it with a fertile soil, glorious forests, unrivalled water powers, numerous navigable rivers reaching into the heart of the continent and great inland seas, and with these men have developed those mines and those forests, have cultivated the soil and put thousands of boats upon the rivers and the lakes, until we have an internal commerce compared with which our foreign commerce is insignificant. And this progress and developmnet have been going on ever since the foundation of the Government regardless of tariffs whether they were for protection or what is called free trade.

As for Senator Hale's assertion that we have captured all the world's markets worth capturing, it is so far from the truth that in our commerce with the countries south of us on this hemisphere we sell them $82,587,000 worth our products and buy from them $225,854,000 worth, or nearly three times as much. That doesn't look much like capturing those markets; but may be Senator Hale doesn't consider them worth capturing while the foreign nations which deal with them prize them very highly, judging from the systematic methods they pursue to hold what they have and win more.

We buy from Asia and Africa $180,000,000 more of their products than we sell to them, which doesn't look like capturing those markets, over which European nations have been striving with each other for a quarter of a century and taking snap judgment every time they got a chance in the meantime. They have divided Africa up among them and have been playing the same game in China, as far as they thought could be done without clashing with each other.

If, for the sake of argument, or to be accommodating, suppose we admit that the Dingley tariff has done all its champions claim for it. It is conceded now by many of the protected manufacturers and others that the protection which at one time was, they said, necessary to protect them from the "cheap pauper labor of Europe" is no longer necessary, because with our cheaper raw material, labor-saving machinery, more economic methods and more production, and therefore cheaper skilled labor, we can now not only compete with European rivals but undersell them in other markets, and in some things in their own markets. That's how our manufacturers account for the progress they have made in competing in the markets of the world. If this be so, (and it must be so, otherwise the beneficiaries of the protective tariff would not so assert it) why then should we perpetuate a tariff which has outlived its ouiject and its usefulness, assuming that it may at one time have been useful in stimulating manufacturing industries? What reasonable objection can there be to reducing the tariff or to removing the protective feature altogether, and coming down to a purely "tariff for revenue" basis? Would there be danger of flooding our markets with foreign manufactures? If foreign manufacturers cannot compete with us in the open markets of the world, what danger is there of their being able to do it in our home market? If our manufacturers can manufacture at less cost than their European competitors, how can their European competitors ship their manufactures to this country and sell them for less or for the same price that our manufacturers can sell them? The only way they could do that would be to obtain an export bounty from their Governments, as the sugar manufacturers of Germany did, which enables them to sell sugar in other countries at less than it costs them to make it. No Government in Europe would adopt such a policy as that for it would soon bankrupt it.

As there is no danger, then, of our manufacturers losing the home market, why not lower the tariff bars, if not remove them altogether as far as the protective feature goes, and enter the race for supremacy depending upon the energy, push, business capacity and progressive methods of the American, who does not acknowledge a superior anywhere?

It is asserted by the European agitators for European combination against American trade that the American manufacturer is enabled to compete in the world's markets because he has the protective tariff to back him, a tariff which accomplishes for him what an export bounty does for the German sugar manufacturer or any other export bounty does. As a matter of fact they are right in that contention and are supported in it by Senator Hanna, Congressman Grosvenor and others, who claim that it is the Dingley tariff that has made it possible for our manufacturers to achieve the success they have in securing a foothold in foreign markets. Lower the tariff wall or remove altogether the protective feature and those European agitators who have been advocating retaliatory tariffs to keep American products out of their markets would have no such ground for justification on that line. Then it would be a fair, square fight between the American and his rival of other countries, and as the American claims that he can produce at less cost than his competitors he should have nothing to fear in such a contest.

THEY SAT UPON CRUMPACKER.

That caucus to consider the Crumpacker bill to reduce representation from the Southern States which have adopted qualified suffrage laws, was held Monday night and it sat down on Crumpacker. It had some support, but the older, cooler and wiser heads were against it, and didn't think it advisable to stir up that matter in that way, but instead favored the appointment of a committee to investigate the suffrage question and report at some subsequent meeting what action should be taken to remedy the conditions objected to.

This simply means that they may try to get through some legislation which will give the Republicans a better chance of electing somebody in the South, or of counting in somebody who isn't elected and contests the election.

Among the speakers who opposed it were Mr. Blackburn of this State and Mr. Moody of Massachusetts, who early in the session introduced a bill to investigate the franchise question in the South. They are thus reported by wire:

"Blackburn opposed the Crumpacker measure. He said it would result in the loss of the two Republican Congressmen from North Carolina and utterly destroy Pritchard's chance of re election. He advocated a Federal election law to secure honesty of elections in the South.

"Congressman Moody spoke against the Crumpacker bill. He wanted honest elections, he said, but thought the Southern States should be allowed to work out their own salvation. The opponents of Democracy, he said, would work out their own salvation.

The milk in the coaconut with Mr. Blackburn was that the Republicans would lose two Congressmen from North Carolina, and Senator Pritchard would be knocked out, good and indifferent reasons why Mr. Blackburn and Senator Pritchard are opposed to it. Neither of them is particularly anxious to retire to private life and scuffle like other folks for a living.

Another objection to the Crumpacker scheme by gentlemen from the other side of the line was that it was too far reaching and would logically take in those Northern States where there is qualified suffrage, and there are several of them. It cut entirely too wide a swath. If it could have been confined strictly to the South it might have been different.

An Iowa court has established a precedent which carries breach of promise beyond the grave. A young woman was engaged to be married, the hour was fixed but postponed, and a later date named. The man died before the time came around and the young woman sued for damages. The court decided that the agreement settled the matter, that she was to all intents and purposes in the eye of the law his widow, and entitled to a widow's dower, which in her case amounted to $6,000. The deceased would probably make no objection, as he really intended to marry her and would have done so if he had not died.

Secretary Long is quoted as saying in his address at the launching of the battleship Missouri, that $100,000,000 spent in giving employment to labor is better than the same amount spent for education or charity. We don't know about education, but it is certainly better than charity, for the $100,000,000 spent in giving employment to labor provides for the wants of many thousands of people, and thus lessens the demands on charity?

Paris proposes to utilize her policemen in helping to light up the streets at night. They are to carry electric lights on various parts on their uniforms and on the ends of their batons. They can manipilate the lights on the uniform by pressing a button on the waistcoat. This is decidedly Frenchy.

NO SHADOW

Of outward misfortune can darken the smile of the loyal wife and loving mother. But when disease comes the smile slowly fades, and in its place comes the drawn face and tight closed lips which tell of the constant struggle with pain.

When the delicate womanly organism is diseased the whole body suffers; the form grows thin, and the complexion dull. The first step to sound health is to cure the diseases which undermine the womanly strength.

Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription establishes regularity, dries disagreeable drains, heals inflammation and ulceration and cures female weakness. The wonderful cures of womanly diseases effected by the use of "Favorite Prescription" place it at the front of all put-up medicines specially prepared for the use of women.

"I was troubled with female weakness for eight years, and suffered more than I can tell," writes Mrs. Gust. Moser, of Gwandle, Deerlodge Co., Montana. "My disposition was affected to such an extent that to say a pleasant word to any one was almost an impossibility.

"I had two operations performed by one of the most skilled surgeons of the West, but did not get relief. Then, against my doctor's strict orders, I commenced taking Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription and 'Golden Medical Discovery,' and also followed the advice given in the Common Sense Medical Adviser.

"I continued this treatment for three months, and to-day am as healthy and well as a woman can be. I cannot thank Dr. Pierce enough for his kind letters to me."

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cure biliousness and sick headache.

THE FARMER AND THE MILLS.

At first sight it might not seem that the farmers are much interested in cotton or any other kind of mills unless they raise the raw material that is consumed by the mills, but as a matter of fact the farmers are more interested in them than and other class of people, with the exception of those who have their money invested in them or depend directly upon them for employment and a livelihood.

According to the report of the State Commissioner of Labor and Printing there are in this State 285 textile mills distributed among 53 out of the 97 counties in the State, and varying from 1 to 26 in a county. They give employment directly to 44,544 persons. The wages paid to this army of employes, many of whom have families, is spent mainly for food raised upon the farms, while all of the raw material consumed except that by the silk mills, and that imported by the woollen mills, is produced upon the farms, and the farmers get the money. They thus supply a home market, near the farmer, for thousands upon thousands of dollars' worth of stuff, for which he would have had no market without them, or which he would have been compelled to sell to some middleman, who shipped to distant markets.

There isn't a farmer within hauling radius of any of these mills who has not been benefited more or less by them, not only in the returns from the produce of various kinds sold to them, but in the enhanced value of the lands, on account of the home market and the number of products that come in demand. They stimulate land improvement, too, better cultivation, more diversification of crops, more attention to stock, dairying, &c., and thus help the farmer in another way. These are some of the reasons why farmers are and should be interested in textile mills and in all manufacturing industries.

CURRENT COMMENT.

— We learn that immigrants from Sweden-Norway to this country, sent back to the "folks at home" last year, no less than 3,000,000 kroner, or $804,000. And this is only a small fraction of the money that is sent out of the United States to Europe and Asia by white people and Chinese, who come here from those continents. The total is probably $50,000,000 yearly.—*Chattanooga Times, Ind.*

— President H. S. Frye, of the New England Tobacco Growers' Association, has given the members a notable rebuke by resigning his position because of their greedy and selfish attitude toward Cuba. He says that a reduction of 50 per cent of present duties would not seriously injure any tobacco interests in the United States; and he is right; for, the duty is greater than the market value.—*Brooklyn Citzen, Dem.*

— The New York Post has discovered that the ancestor of President McKinley was arrested by the ancestor of Senator Hanna in Ireland, and hanged. Well!reparation has been made, and the incident may be considered closed, but McKinley is not the only American President whose ancestor stretched a rope across the water. For this, also, the successors of the rulers who ordered the execution have made what amends they might in finding America something to be respected in peace and war. Also, we have reasons to thank those who drove us to a better land.—*Jacksonville Times Union, Dem.*

— In complimenting ex-President Cleveland at the expense of the memory of Andrew Jackson, Bishop Potter made a strange error. He charged Jackson with the phrase "To the victors belong the spoils." Jackson never said it. During his administration there were no such sweeping removals from office as took place under succeeding administrations—Democratic, Whig and Republican. On the contrary, Jackson retained in office some of his strong opponents, notably his virulent political enemy, Gen. Stephen Van Rensselaer, postmaster of Albany. The author of the phrase was Wm. L. Marcy, of New York. —*Philadelphia Record, Dem.*

CASTORIA.
Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Stanly *Entrprise*: We are reliably informed that The Whitney Reduction Company will soon make a survey from Albemarle to the Narrows near Palmerville for building their line of railway to tap the Southern at this place.

— Charlotte *Observer*: Mr. J. J. Nivens, of Union county, died suddenly Monday evening at the residence of his son. Mr. J. H. Nivens, at the Atherton Mill. He was in the sitting room talking to his wife and his son when he fell from his chair, seized with an heart attack, presumably, and died almost instantly. He was in his seventieth year.

— Lincoln *Journal*: The farmers say that the grain crop has been damaged very much because of the freeze.

— It comes from a reliable source that the S. A. L. railroad will build a road from Morganton to Lincolnton, connecting here with the other line. The object of this road will be to get into the coal fields of Tennessee, and at an early date the road will be extended from Morganton to Tennessee, passing through an hitherto section of country which has felt the need of a railroad.

— Henderson *Gold Leaf*: A burglar, or burglars, made a raid on Mr. Charles Stainback's residence Monday night. Among the things known to have been stolen was a twenty dollar gold piece, five dollars in paper money, two and a half in silver, a plain half ounce gold ring, with "Mizpah" engraved in it and one amethyst ring. Mr. H. A. Draper heard a noise in his house and going to investigate he found a negro in an adjoining room. The man made his escape through a window by which he had gained an entrance and Mr. Draper ran him for some distance before giving up the chase. Dr. Coggeshall's house was entered the same night but nothing of value was taken. All this occurred in the same neighborhood. Other houses have been entered also within the past few nights, but only at Mrs. Crozier's did they succeed in getting anything of value. There they stole a purse containing seven or eight dollars. The purse has the name of Miss Emma Crozier in it.

— Greensboro *Record*: A telegram received here this (Monday) afternoon by Mr. C D. Benbow announced the death of Mr. James W. Tufts, which occured this morning at Pinehurst. Deceased had been troubled for some time by a disease similar to appendicitis, which caused his death. Two or three operations were performed but without avail. Mr. Tufts was about 64 years of age and was owner of Pinehurst, where he spent over a million dollars, converting the place into a well known resort. He was also president of the American Soda Fountain Company, of Boston.

— Considerable interest is being manifest in the approaching exhibit in this city by jobbers and dealers in carpets and rugs, beginning Tuesday, February 18th. One evening will be devoted to traveling men and the T. P. A. has been invited to meet here at that time. Space will be provided in the exhibition building for any traveling men desiring to make exhibits. The Jordan factory building, five stories high, corner Depot and South Davie streets, will be used for making the exhibit. It will be lighted by electricity.

TWINKLINGS.

— Not in Her Line.—"But, oh, can't you learn to love me?" "No; I never could study."—*Harper's Bazar*

— "Well, the child's getting its teeth." "Is it? What a pity a child doesn't get its teeth first and its voice afterward!"—*Puck*

— "There was quite a railroad accident at the station this morning." "Horrible! Anyone killed?" "No; you see it was a case of a train arriving on time."—*Boston Courier.*

— Johnny—Pa, why is it that truth is spoken of as "naked?" Wise Pa—It is because a great many things that are told for truth quite outstrip the biggest lies that ever were invented.—*Boston Transcript.*

— A bill is pending in the New York Legislature for the eradication of daisies. It would serve a good purpose if it were amended to include those who think they're daisies.—*St Paul Pioneer Press.*

— Nell—I have been assigned to read a paper on "The Ideal Woman" at the next meeting of the club. Jack—Well, all you will need to do is to stand up on the platform and let them look at you.—*Somerville Journal.*

— Milkman—I s'pose you notice I am leavin' warm milk every morning, mum? Housekeeper—Yes, and, considering the number of diseases flying around, I think it's real thoughtful of you to boil the water.—*New York Weekly.*

— Absent-minded Professor: Margaret, please take that cat out of the room. I cannot have it making such a noise while I am at work. Where is it. Servant—Why, sir, you are sitting on it.—*Tit-Bits.*

— Prudence: "Why don't you go to work?" asked the well meaning friend, "I don't dare to," answered Willie Washington. "People would think my father had disinherited me, and it would ruin my credit."—*Washington Star.*

— One of the old-time darkies, on being asked how he was making out, replied in this fashion: "Well, sub, times is mighty tight wid me, but I manages ter make a livin' by doin' a little plowin' a little votin', an a little baptizin'!"—*Atlanta Constitution.*

— He—I see that a French physician says yawning is beneficial to the health. She—Indeed! I've wondered a number of times why I have been so unusually well since you commenced coming here to spend the evenings.—*Tit Bits*

It Dazzles the World.

No discovery in medicine has ever created one quarter of the excitement that has been caused by Dr King's New Discovery for Consumption. It's severest tests have been on hopeless victims of Consumptions, Pneumonia, Hemorrhage, Pleurisy and Bronchitis, thousands of whom it has restored to perfect health. For Coughs, Colds, Asthma, Croup, Hay Fever, Hoarseness and Whooping Cough it is the quickest, surest cure in the world. It is sold by R. R BELLAMY, druggist, who guarantees satisfaction or refund the money. Large bottles 50 cents and $1.00. Trial bottles free. †

For Over Sixty Years

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP has been used for over sixty years by millions of mothers for their children while teething with perfect success. It soothes the child, soften the gums, and allays all pain; cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for diarrhœa. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Sold by druggists in every part of the world. Twenty-five cents a bottle. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup, and take no other kind.

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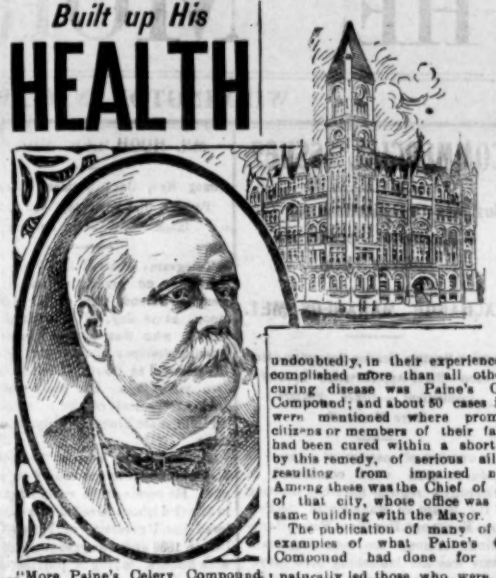

"More Paine's Celery Compound has been sold in the city of Omaha for the last month than all other medicines put together."

So writes the leading wholesale drug house of the West to the proprietors of Paine's Celery Compound.

In October last a card from Hon. Frank E. Moores, the mayor of that city, was published in the Omaha Bee, in which he told of the great benefit Paine's Celery Compound had been to him. "I regard it," he said, "the most wonderful remedy I have ever tried for building up the system when once run down."

On account of Major Moores' great popularity and well known standing, the publication of his card in the Bee instigated the Omaha News, the Bee's principal competitor, to make a canvass of druggists and physicians in that city to find out their experience with this and other remedies. A few days later the News published almost a page of the opinions it had gathered. The physicians and druggists interviewed were absolutely unanimous in saying that of all prepared remedies, the one that had undoubtedly, in their experience, accomplished more than all others in curing disease was Paine's Celery Compound; and about 50 cases in all were mentioned where prominent citizens or members of their families had been cured within a short time by this remedy, of serious ailments resulting from impaired nerves. Among these was the Chief of Police of that city, whose office was in the same building with the Mayor.

The publication of many of these examples of what Paine's Celery Compound had done for others naturally led those who were sick—and in every community there are thousands of people who, having symptoms of nervous break-down, put off the cure in the vain hope that the nerves will resuscitate themselves—hundreds of those who were sick were thus informed of the one true remedy for their relief.

Unsought and unexpected letters began to pour into Burlington from people in Omaha, telling of their experiences. Some of these letters were published by permission of the writers.

They all told in different ways the same story—of new strength and vitality, sound sleep, better appetite, and the returning health.

No other remedy in the world ever so clearly proved all that was claimed for it as this wonderful discovery of America's greatest physician. The number of authenticated cases of complete restoration to health of people of all ages, who were suffering from insomnia, indigestion, rheumatism and other ailments and weaknesses which are the symptoms of a nervous system deranged by neglect or exposure, or over-work, or over-indulgences, or worry or other influences—the number of such cases is thousands in every community.

FEASTED ON SPARROWS.

A Diet That Did Not Agree With the Crane.

"Some time ago I had occasion to observe an interesting change in the habits and temperament of a crane which had been picked up in the swamps of Arkansas," said a gentleman from one of the towns on the Mississippi river, "and the change was startling too. The crane was placed in a small park which was literally filled with English sparrows. These pests did not like the visitor from the lowlands, and they made daily assaults on the poor bird. The crane was a pretty fowl, long, slender, pure white and with the stately stride of a tragedian. The sparrows would systematically swoop down on the crane in droves, and the attacks were fierce and vicious.

The crane stood the assaults with indifference for awhile, but finally the fowl from the swamps figured out a method of retaliation, and it was effectual. In some way the crane learned that sparrow was a pretty sweet morsel. From the time she learned it she feasted on sparrows. She would slip up cautiously on these pesky twitterers and throw her yellow beak out like a gig. She never missed the mark. She always landed a sparrow, and a singular part of the thing is that she would swallow them whole, feathers and all. But the crane would always dampen the bird by dipping it in one of the water basins of the park.

"The diet evidently did not agree with the crane, and she became a trifle droopy and showed signs of indisposition. She finally died, and the keeper of the park believes that the crane's death was caused by a severe case of indigestion brought on by eating sparrows."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Saved the Dog.

Some time ago there was a shipwreck at St. Margaret's bay, England, and the life line brought sailor after sailor to shore amid the cheers of the rescuers. At last only the captain remained on board. The line was ready, the signal was given, but the answering jerk did not come. Again and again for a quarter of an hour the question passed along the rope without reply. At last, when hope was nearly dead, the signal came, and the captain was hauled dripping ashore. He picked himself up, drew a small, wet, quivering dog from his breast pocket and set it tenderly down. Then he looked round and said in simple apology, "I couldn't find the little brute anywhere!"

Parson Brownlow.

Parson Brownlow, the famous preacher, editor and patriot, is described by Dr. William E. Barton, author of "A Hero In Homespun," as the very incarnation of east Tennessee's rudeness, strength and exalted love of country and of right. "Ef hit warn't that he's a preacher," says one of the characters, "you wouldn't know sometimes w'ether he's a-prayin or a-quotin Scripter chapter an varse or jus' plain everyday sorter cussin." Brownlow wrote to Secretary Benjamin at Richmond: "Just give me my passports and I will do for your Confederacy more than the devil has ever done. I will quit the country."

A Proper Use of the Term.

Twynn—Dr. Thirdly is a very good man, but he never preaches a sermon less than an hour long.

Triplett—He must be a terror.

Twynn—He is. He's a holy terror.—Leslie's Weekly.

Goldsmith somewhere tells of an old lady who, lying sick unto death, played cards with the curate to pass away the time and after winning all his money had just proposed to play for her funeral expenses when she expired.

Blown to Atoms.

The old idea that the body some times needs a powerful, drastic, purgative pill has been exploded, for Dr. King's New Life Pills, which are perfectly harmless, gently stimulate liver and bowels to expel poisonous matter, cleanse the system and absolutely cure Constipation and Sick Headache. Only 25 cents, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

Dr. PIERCE'S FAVORITE PRESCRIPTION FOR WEAK WOMEN.

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SAGGING—			
2 ℔ Jute		@	6½
Standard		@	6¾
Burlaps	6	@	9½
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ℔ ℔	13½	@	14
Sides ℔ ℔	9	@	10
Shoulders ℔ ℔	9	@	9½
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ℔ ℔	9½	@	9½
Shoulders ℔ ℔	9	@	9½
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine			
Second-hand, each	1 35	@	1 35
Second-hand machine	1 35	@	1 35
New New York, each		@	1 35
New City, each		@	1 35
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ℔ M	6 50	@	7 00
Northern	9 00	@	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ℔ ℔	15	@	18
Northern	22	@	28
CORN MEAL—			
Per bushel, in sacks	78½	@	81
Virginia Meal	80½	@	81
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle	1 20	@	1 30
CANDLES—℔ ℔—			
Sperm	18	@	35
Adamantine	8	@	11
COFFEE—℔ ℔—			
Laguyra	11	@	12½
Rio	8	@	11
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard		@	3½
Yarns, ℔ bunch of 5 ℔s		@	0
FISH—			
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel	22 00	@	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl	11 00	@	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel	16 00	@	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl	8 00	@	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel	13 00	@	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 50	@	3 75
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel	6 00	@	7 00
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	1 00	@	1 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	6	@	10
" Extra	4 00	@	5 00
FLOUR—℔ ℔—			
Low grade	3 25	@	3 70
Choice	3 75	@	4 00
Straight	3 85	@	3 75
First Patent	4 00	@	4 25
GLUE—℔ ℔	8	@	10
GRAIN—℔ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bags—White	86	@	88
Mixed Corn	81	@	86
Oats, from store (mixed)	60	@	60½
Oats, Rust Proof	75	@	85
Cow Peas	90	@	1 00
HIDES—℔ ℔—			
Green salted	4	@	5
Dry flint	10	@	11
Dry salt	9	@	10
HAY ℔ 100 ℔s			
No 1 Timothy	1 00	@	1 05
Rice Straw		@	60
N. C. Crop	75	@	80
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	2½	@	3
CHEESE—℔ ℔—			
Northern Factory	13½	@	14
Dairy Cream	12	@	13½
Half cream	10	@	13½
LARD, ℔ ℔—			
Northern	8½	@	12½
North Carolina	10	@	12½
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 10	@	1 25
PORK, ℔ barrel—			
City Mess		@	13 50
Rump		@	13 50
Prime		@	13 00
ROPE ℔ ℔	11	@	22
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum		@	1 25
Liverpool		@	90
American		@	90
On 125 ℔ Sacks	50	@	60
SUGAR, ℔ lb—Standard Gran'd	4 90	@	5 40
Standard A	4¾	@	5
White Extra C	4½	@	4¾
Extra C, Golden	4¼	@	4½
Yellow	4	@	4¼
LUMBER (city sawed) ℔ M ft—			
Ship Stuff, resawed	15 00	@	30 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00	@	18 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00	@	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00	@	22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00	@	15 00
MOLASSES ℔ gallon—			
Barbadoes, in hogsheads		@	32
Barbadoes, in barrels		@	28
Porto Rico, in hogsheads	29	@	31
Porto Rico, in barrels	29	@	33
Sugar House, in hogsheads	13	@	14
Sugar House, in barrels	14	@	15
Syrup, in barrels	17	@	27
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 8d basis	2 40	@	2 50
SOAP ℔ ℔—Northern	3½	@	4
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	0 00	@	14 00
R. O. Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping	8 00	@	9 00
Common mill	6 00	@	8 00
Fair mill	8 00	@	6 50
Prime mill	6 50	@	7 50
Extra mill	8 00	@	8 50
SHINGLES, N.C. Cypress sawed ℔ M 6x24 heart	6 25	@	7 00
" Sap	5 50	@	6 00
5x20 Heart	3 50	@	4 00
" Sap	2 50	@	3 00
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon Northern	1 00	@	2 10

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—36 bales cotton, 2 barrels tar, 2 barrels crude turpentine.

W. C. & A. Railroad—154 bales cotton, 5 casks spirits turpentine, 87 barrels tar, 15 barrels crude turpentine.

C. C. Railroad—23 barrels tar.

A. & Y. Railroad—25 bales cotton, 18 barrels tar.

Steamer R. A Hawes—26 barrels tar.

Underwood's Raft—332 barrels rosin.

Total—215 bales cotton, 5 casks spirits turpentine, 332 barrels rosin, 156 barrels tar, 17 barrels crude turpentine.

— She (at the piano)—Listen; how do you enjoy this refrain? He—Very much. The more you refrain the better I like it.—*Tit Bits.*

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET

[Quoted officially at the closing by the Produce Exchange.]

STAR OFFICE, February 4.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market firm at 41c per gallon for machine made casks and 40c per gallon for country casks

ROSIN—Market firm at $1 10 per barrel for strained and $1.15 per barrel for good strained.

TAR—Market quiet at $1.20 per barrel of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market strong at $1.35 per barrel for hard, $2 80 for dip, and —— for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine steady at 36½@36c; rosin nothing doing; tar steady at $1 25; crude turpentine steady at $1.30 @2.30.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	5
Rosin	332
Tar	156
Crude turpentine	17

Receipts same day last year—80 casks spirits turpentine, 878 barrels rosin, 247 barrels tar, — barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 7¾c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	6¼	cts	₱ lb
Good ordinary	6¾	"	"
Low middling	7¼	"	"
Middling	7¾	"	"
Good middling	8 3-16	"	"

Same day last year, market firm at 9 5-16c for middling.

Receipts—215 bales; same day last year, 662

[Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.]

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm. Prime, 70c; extra prime, 75c; fancy, 80c, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 60c; extra prime, 65c; fancy, 70c. Spanish, 70@75c.

CORN—Firm, 86@87½c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 14@15c per pound; shoulders, 12½@13c; sides, 12½@13c.

EGGS—Dull at 18c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Dull. Grown, 20@25c; springs, 10@18c.

TURKEYS—Dressed, firm at 12@14c; live, 9@10c.

BEESWAX—Firm at 26c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6½c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 60@65c per bushel.

FINANCIAL MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—Money on call was steady at 2¼@3 per cent.; market closed, bid and asked, at 2¼@2½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4@4½ per cent. Sterling exchange about steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at 487½@487¾ for demand and at 484½@484¾ for sixty days. Posted rates 485@485½ and 488. Commercial bills 483¾@484¾. Bar silver 55½. Mexican dollars 44. Government bonds strong. State bonds inactive. Railroad bonds were irregular. U. S. refunding 2's, registered, 108½; U. S refunding 3's, coupon, 108¼; U. S 3's, registered, 108½; do. coupon, 108¾; U. S. 4's, new registered, 129; do. coupon 139; U. S. 4's, old registered, 112; do. coupon, 112; U. S. 5's reg'd, 106; do. coupon, ex int. 106; Southern Railway, 5's, 120¾. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 102¾; Chesapeake & Ohio 45½; Manhattan L 135¼; New York Central 161½; Reading 56½; do. 1st preferred 83; do. 2nd preferred 63¾; St. Paul 163¾; do. pref'd, 187; Southern R'way 32¾; do. pref'd 94¼; Amalgamated Copper 73¾; Am'n Tobacco —; People's Gas 99¾; Sugar 127; Tennessee Coal and Iron 63; U. S. Leather 11¼; do. pref'd, 80¾; Western Union 90¾; U. S. Steel 43; do. preferred 93¾; Mexican National 17¾; American Locomotive 33; do. preferred 92; Standard Oil 650@660; Virginia-Carolina Chemical Co., 60¾; do. preferred, 130¾.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 4.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 24¾@25¼; do. preferred, 46¾ bid; do 4s 84¼ asked.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—Rosin steady. Spirits turpentine firm at 43¾@44c.

CHARLESTON, Feb. 4.—Spirits turpentine firm and unchanged. Rosin unchanged.

SAVANNAH, Feb. 4.—Spirits turpentine firm, 41¾@42c; receipts 510 casks; sales 352 casks; exports 300 casks. Rosin firm; receipts 4,531 barrels; sales 965 barrels; exports 3,824 barrels Quote: A, B, C, D, $1 25; E, $1 30; F, $1 35; G, $1 40; H, $1 45; I, $1 70; K, $2 25; M, $2 65; N, $3 25; W G, $3 60; W W, $3 85.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—The cotton market opened quiet with prices unchanged from last night's final bids and for the balance of the session pursued an indifferent course in the absence of aggressive bull or bear operations. As was the case yesterday the "talent" was in no mood to take the initiative step toward forcing the market higher or lower, so long as the big public long interest remained intact. To-day's Liverpool cables reported spots 1-32d higher and futures rather firmer than expected on our showing of last night. Port receipts gave every promise of falling short of the same day last year, and the interior movement was also light. The semi weekly interior towns' figures were decidedly bullish, though there seemed to be little doubt but that the bad weather of last week in some measure explained the striking shortage in receipts. Owing to large shipments the interior towns' stocks dropped off materially. From time to time during the day commission houses were sellers of May and July cotton, for profits; the South and Europe bought in a conservative way. The estimates for to-morrow's receipts gave little hope to shorts of immediate broadening of the movement. The market closed steady with prices net unchanged to two points higher.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—Cotton steady at 8¼c; net receipts 2,165 bales; gross receipts 10,330 bales; stock 124,929 bales.

Spot cotton closed steady; middling uplands 8¼c; middling gulf 8¼c; sales 350 bales.

Cotton futures market closed steady: February 8 08, March 8.13, April 8 16, May 8.17, June 8 17, July 8 19, August 8 06, September 7.75, October 7.70.

Total to-day—Net receipts 25,295 bales; exports to Great Britain 663 bales; exports to France 66 bales; exports to the Continent 8,095 bales; stock 882,707 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 61,283 bales; exports to Great Britain 20,280 bales; exports to France 14 708 bales; exports to the Continent 17,445 bales.

Total since September 1st.—Net receipts 5,931,744 bales; exports to Great Britain 2 259,884 bales; exports to France 557,938 bales; exports to the Continent 1,767,383 bales

Feb 4.—Galveston steady at 7 15-16c, net receipts 10,197 bales; Norfolk, quiet at 8c, net receipts 1 553 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 8¼c, net receipts — bales; Boston, steady at 8¼c, net receipts 729 bales; Wilmington, firm at 7¾c, net receipts 215 bales; Philadelphia, steady at 8¼c, net receipts 50 bales; Savannah, steady at 7 13-16, net receipts 3 445 bales; New Orleans, firm at 7 13 16c, net receipts 5,853 bales; Mobile, quiet at 7 11-16c, net receipts 796 bales; Memphis, firm at 7 13-16c, net receipts 328 bales; Augusta, quiet and steady at 8¼c, net receipts 280 bales; Charleston, firm at 7¾c, net receipts 292 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—Flour market was dull but steady; rye flour steady. Wheat—Spot steady; No. 2 red 87¾c. Options closed ½@¾c net lower. Sales included: March closed 84¼c; May closed 83¾c; July closed 83¾c. Corn—Spot easy; No. 2, 65¾c. Options closed weak at ¼@

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Probably no country on earth is more interesting to the traveler on the lookout for queer things and unusual experiences than the silvas of the Amazon, and here is a story about an Indian tribe of that region told by Arthur Axtell, an American traveler, that can hardly be beaten.

These particular Indians were continually bent on discovery and experimenting, says Mr. Axtell. Somehow they had come into possession of some silkworms. These worms were not known before in that country, and most of them died before the natives found out how to raise them. But they persevered and by feeding them on the tender leaves of some native plants produced a good quality of silk, not so good as the Chinese product by feeding the worms on white mulberry leaves, but nevertheless a strong, serviceable silk, certainly good enough for the dusky bodies of these savages, for this silk has not yet become an article of commerce.

Their method of obtaining the silk and transforming it into garments was crude. When the moths laid the eggs, the natives carried them in great quantities in belts about their bodies, thus giving the eggs the body heat. At the end of winter the eggs were hatched, and the result was an army of caterpillars. These were trained to crawl over the naked bodies of the natives. This was their home. They knew no other and seemed quite contented.

During eight weeks the savage is covered with these yellow crawlers. It would seem that thousands of creeping caterpillars over one's body from head to foot would tickle one to death. Certainly a white man would find it unbearable, but it must be remembered these natives of Brazil are scarcely human. To them it is intensely interesting to train these worms in the way they should go. Small bits of leaves are stuck on the bodies of the natives in regular rows, and round and round the worms go, feeding on the way. The natives help each other in the placing of the bits of leaves and in confining the worms to certain localities on the body.

These caterpillar covered niggers, as Dr. F. A. Marsh, who was of our party, called them, sleep on their backs at night and are careful not to turn over in their sleep. That would be a sad calamity. When we came to their village, there were ten Indians, men and women, in the act of raising silk caterpillars by this unique process. They were a sight to chill the blood. I know the blood stopped flowing in my veins. I stood still and shuddered. Yet there was a fascination about it, for I had been told what the object of it was, and I admired the savage ingenuity.

After the worms have become dizzy with playing the "merry go round" on the bodies of the savages they quit eating and commence spinning the outer covering for the cocoons. When this labor is done, the natural process of silkmaking is interfered with. The savages had found out that when the cocoons were finished they would burst or the worms would eat their way out. In either case the silk was destroyed. So the worms are prevented from making the cocoons. Instead the fiber for the outer covering is destroyed, and the poor caterpillars stop in perplexity. But they doubtless conclude the savages are right, and the worms are in debt to them for eight weeks of feeding, so they start soon to the spinning of the silk.

The natives are now in ecstasy. They make the worms hustle around them as they have been taught during all their little lives and spinning as they go the fine filaments of shining silk. Round and round crawl the worms, each one spinning 1,000 to 4,000 yards of silk thread around the swarthy, savage neck, around each naked arm, around the chest and abdomen and the lower limbs. The work of the worm is over.

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UNDER AN UMBRELLA.

An Expensive Adventure of a Famous Parisian Wit.

Romieu, the famous Parisian wit, was one day caught in a shower and forced to seek refuge in a doorway of the Opera House. It was 6 o'clock already, and he had an engagement in the Cafe de Paris for that very hour. The rain fell in torrents. There was no carriage to be had. He had no umbrella. What was to be done? While he was lamenting his bad luck a gentleman with a large umbrella passed by. Romieu was seized with a sudden inspiration. He rushed out and grasped the stranger by the arm and gravely installed himself under the protecting umbrella.

"I am overjoyed to see you," he immediately began. "I have been looking for you for two weeks. I wanted to tell you about Clementine."

Without giving the stranger time to express his surprise Romieu rattled away with gossip and anecdote until he had led the unknown companion to the door of the Cafe de Paris. Then he glanced at him with a face of well feigned astonishment.

"Pardon, monsieur!" he cried. "It seems I am mistaken."

"I believe so," said the stranger.

"Good gracious!" added Romieu. "Be discreet. Don't repeat what I have told you."

"I promise you."

"A thousand pardons!"

Romieu hastened within the cafe and amid great laughter told the adventure to his friends. Suddenly one of them said:

"Your cravat is rumpled."

Romieu put his hand to his neck and turned pale. His pin, a valuable sapphire, was gone. On further examination his purse and watch were found to be gone. The man with the umbrella was a pickpicket.—London Tit-Bits.

Wanted a Change of Diet.

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The Power Behind the Throne.

The scene of this incident was on a stagecoach in stagecoach days in New York. William H. Seward, then governor of the state, was riding there and encountered a fellow traveler who did not know him. They got into a discussion on politics, in the course of which Governor Seward told the traveler who he was. The man treated it as a joke and steadily refused to credit it as anything else. This finally nettled Mr. Seward, and he said to him: "I will prove to you that I am Governor Seward. There is the stage driver outside, who knows me well. We will refer the case to him."

When the stage stopped, therefore, the two approached the driver, and Mr. Seward came with the query, "Am I not governor of New York?"

"No!" was the driver's prompt and curt response.

Mr. Seward, amazed and bewildered, next asked, "Who is, then?"

"Thurlow Weed," came swiftly back in reply.

It is needless to say that the driver was a sturdy Democrat.—Boston Herald.

Lights and Stage Scenery.

It may seem paradoxical to say so, but it seems that the greatest so called improvement of modern days—namely, the brilliant lighting of the stage—has done much to destroy all scenic illusions. Many would recall the beautiful scene painting of Telbin, Stanfield, Grieve and Danby and of Mr. Craven in his earlier days. Formerly scene painters became R. A.'s, a thing nowadays inconceivable. At Gadshill Dickens once showed some fine pictures by Stanfield—wall scenes for "The Lighthouse"—and the novelist cut them to pieces, which he framed. They were beautiful pictures, and at the sale they fetched £600 and £700 each. The scene painters of those days were able to produce such finished work because the light on the stage was low and did not kill their colors. At the present time all half tone yellows and other delicate tints disappear, and the painters have to paint to suit the conflagration.—London News.

The Man Who Makes It Go.

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We are going to move at a remarkable low price. At this sale lots of goods from our regular stock must go at low prices to make room for our Spring Stock.

We are sole agents for New Idea Patterns, sold at 10c. None better.

New Lot Carhart Overalls Just In.

We have all sizes. Can fit any size now. Every pair guaranteed. Union made.

J. H. REHDER & CO.,

FOURTH STREET.

Watch for the date of the above sale. jan 19 tf

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Four per cent. interest allowed on deposits of $5.00 to $50,000. Authorized by law to act as Administrator, Executor, Guardian or Trustee. Safety deposit boxes for rent at reasonable rates. Your patronage is solicited.

J. W. NORWOOD, President. H. WALTERS, Vice President.

C. E. TAYLOR, Jr., Cashier.

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SPECIAL

Beginning Monday we will sell any TAN SHOE in our house at actual COST.

We have also a lot of Ladies' and Gents' Needle and Pointed Toe Shoes

That we will sell you at $1.50. These are goods that sold for $3 to $5 a pair. Come early before sizes are broken.

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Early Rose Seed Potatoes

Seed Oats,
Seed Wheat,
Salt, Molasses,

Bagging and Ties.

Lime, Cement, Nails,
Grain and Hay.

A general line of Groceries of best quality and fair prices.

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Flour.

Jack Frost, Patent.

Also, the following straight Flours:

Lucile, Queen of the Kitchen, Electric Light and Home Comfort.

We also carry a full line of Canned Goods, in connection with our Stock of

Cakes, Candies, Cheese, Sardines, Starch, Salt, Snuff, Tobacco--Smoking and Chewing, Coffee and Mullets.

Which we offer to the trade at living prices.

Williams Bros.

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Atlantic Coast Line R. R. Co

Schedule in Effect Dec. 22, 1901.

NORTH BOUND.

DEPARTURE FROM WILMINGTON—NORTH BOUND.

DAILY 9.20 A. M. — No. 49—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.05 A. M., Warsaw 11.51 A. M., Goldsboro 12.21 P. M., Wilson 1.18 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.53 P. M., Tarboro 2.31 P. M. Weldon 4.35 P. M., Petersburg 5.46 P. M., Richmond 7.45 P. M., Norfolk 8.55 P. M., Washington 11.40 P. M., Baltimore 1.36 A. M., Philadelphia 4.05 A. M., New York 7.10 A. M., *Boston 3.05 P. M.

DAILY 7.00 P. M. — No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 5.55 P. M., Warsaw 6.40 P. M., Goldsboro 9.37 P. M., Wilson 10.36 P. M., *Tarboro 9.34 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.33 P. M. Weldon 1.37 A. M., *Norfolk 1.00 P. M. Petersburg 3.1 A. M., Richmond 3.57 A. M., Washington 7.39 A. M., Baltimore 9.03 A. M., Philadelphia 11.19 A. M. New York 1.43 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.25 P. M — No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.13 P. M., Newbern 6.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY except Sunday 6 00 A. M. — No. 51—Due Lake Waccamaw 7.10 A. M., Chadbourn, 7 41 A. M., Marion 8.45 A. M., Florence 9.25 A. M., Lanes 11.26 A. M., Charleston 1 10 P. M.

DAILY 2.45 P. M — No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.56 P. M., Chadbourn 5.30 P. M. Marion 6.40 P. M., Florence 7.26 P. M. Sumter 9 15 P. M., Columbia 10.40 P. M. Denmark 6.14A. M., Augusta 8.10 A. M. Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M. Charleston 11.15 P. M., Savannah 3.00 A. M., Jacksonville 8.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10 50 A. M., Tampa 10.00 P. M.

WEST BOUND.

DAILY 9.10 A. M. — No. 53—Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12.30 P.M., leaves Fayetteville 12.40 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.55 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 6.00 P. M. — No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston *1.30 P. M., New York *3.00 P. M., Philadelphia 12.00 A. M., Baltimore 2.55 A. M., Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 7.05 A. M., Petersburg 8.40 A. M., Norfolk 3.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.29 P. M. Rocky Mount 12.55 P. M. Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.15 P. M. Warsaw 4.10 P. M., Magnolia 4.25 P. M.

DAILY 10.10 A. M — No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.25 A. M., Philadelphia 12.03 P. M., Baltimore 2.15 P. M., Washington 3.45 P. M., Richmond 7.23 P. M., Petersburg 7 10 P. M., **Norfolk 4.00 P. M., Weldon 9.10 P. M., **Tarboro 7.22 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.45 A. M Leave Wilson 6 06 A. M., Goldsboro 7.31 A. M., Warsaw 8 04 A. M., Magnolia 8.37 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. — No. 45—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 12.00 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY except Sunday 11.30 P. M. — No. 52—Leave Charleston 4.30 P. M. Lanes 6.06 P. M., Florence 8 10 P. M., Marion 8.54 P. M., Chadbourn 9.53 P. M. Lake Waccamaw 10.21 P. M.

DAILY 3.40 P. M — No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 9 00 A. M., Sanford 2.10 P. M., Jacksonville 5.30 P. M., Savannah 1.30 A. M., Charleston 6.45 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M. Macon 9.00 A. M. Augusta 6.50 P. M. Denmark 4.28 P. M., Columbia 9.14 A. M., Sumter 8.32 P. M., Florence 10.10 A. M., Marion 10.51 A. M., Chadbourn 11.35 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.30 A. M.

EAST BOUND.

DAILY 7.15 P. M — No. 52—Passenger—Leave Sanford 8.05 P. M., arrive Fayetteville 4.30 P. M., leave Fayetteville 4.50 P. M.

Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 3.10 A. M. Maxton 8.05 A. M., Red Springs 8.30 A. M., Parkton 10.05 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 11.10 A. M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4.40 P. M., Hope Mills 5.00 P. M., Red Springs 5.45 P. M., Maxton 6.10 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 75, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train between Rocky Mount and Richmond leaves Rocky Mount 7.15 A. M., arrive Weldon 8.17 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10 18 A. M., arrives Richmond 11.10 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 8.15 P. M., Halifax 8.35 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 4.10 P. M., Greenville 5.47 P. M., Kinston 6.45 P. M. Returning, leave Kinston 7.30 A. M., Greenville 8.20 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.05 A. m., Weldon 11.30 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.00 A. M. and 3.45 P. M.; arrive Parmele 8.55 A. M. and 4.10 P. M.; returning leave Parmele 11.10 A. M. and 5.02 P. M.; arrives Washington 12 30 A. M and 6.15 P. M. Daily except Sunday

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 4.35 P. M.; Sunday, 4.35 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 6.35 P. M. and 6.39 P. M. Returning leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7 30 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 9 55 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Trains leave Goldsboro daily except Sunday 5.00 A. M., arriving Smithfield 6.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 7:00 A. M., arrives at Goldsboro 8:26 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 9.30 A. M., 4.10 P. M.; arrives Nashville 10.30 A. M., 4.25 P. M., Spring Hope 11.05 A. M., 4.45 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.30 A. M., 5.15 P. M., Nashville 11.40 A. M., 5.45 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 12.10 A. M 6.20 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leaves Warsaw for Clinton, daily, except Sunday, 11.40 A. M. and 4.15 P. M. Returning, leaves Clinton 6.45 A. M. and 2.50 P. M

Train leaves Fee Dee 10.13 A. M., arrive Latta 10.46 A. M., Dillon 10.58 A. M., Rowland 11.15 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 4.10 P. M.; arrives Dillon 4.31 P. M. Latta 4.44 P. M., Fee Dee 7.06 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Chadbourn 12.01 P. M.; arrive Conway 2.20 P. M.; returning leave Conway 2.55 P M. arrive Chadbourn 5.00 P M, leave Chadbourn 5.35 P. M.; arrive Elrod 8.10 A M., returning leave Elrod 8.40 A M, arrive Chadbourn 11.25 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Sumter 6.30 P. M., Manning 6.56 P. M.; arrive Lane's 7.40 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.30 A. M., Manning 9.00 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.41 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 8.40 A. M., *7.00 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 10 A.M., *6.30 P. M.; leave Georgetown 6.30 A. M.; *4.15 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.00 A. M.; *5.45 P. M.

Trains leave Florence daily except Sunday at 10.05 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.30 A. M., Hartsville 2.55 P. M., Cheraw 11.45 A. M., Wadesboro 12.50 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 3.00 P.M.; arrive Darlington 3.25 P. M., Bennettsville 5.25 P. M., Gibson 10.32 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 10.05 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.30 A. M.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday at 6.05 A. M. Bennettsville 7.05 A. M.; arrive Darlington 8.15 A. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M.; arrive Florence 9.15 A. M. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 4.10 P. M., Cheraw 5.15 P. M., Hartsville 7.25 P. M., Darlington 6.29 P. M.; arrive Florence 7.00 P. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M. arrive Florence 9.15 A. M.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.59 P. M., 11.10 P. M., arrive Selma 3.45 P. M. 11.59 P. M. Smithfield 5.03 P. M., Dunn 5.40 P. M. Fayetteville 6.35 P. M.; 1 10 A. M., Rowland 6.10 P. M., returning leave Rowland 11.15 A. M., Fayetteville 12.35 P. M., 10.07 P. M., Dunn 1.04 P. M., Smithfield 2 03 P. M. Selma 3.10 P. M., 11.26 P. M., arrive Wilson 6.57 P. M., 12.07 A. M.

Trains leave Sumter 4.28 A. M., Creston 5.17 A. M., arrive Denmark 6.14 A. M. Returning leave Denmark 4.48 P. M., Creston 5.32 P. M. Sumter 6.19 P. M. Daily.

*Daily except Sunday. **Sunday only.

H. M. EMERSON, Gen'l Passenger Agent.

J. R. KENLY, Gen'l Manager.

T. M. EMERSON, Traffic Manager.

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FLORIDA WEST INDIA SHORT LINE

VESTIBULED LIMITED TRAINS

DOUBLE DAILY SERVICE

Between New York, Tampa Atlanta New Orleans & Points South & West.

Schedule in Effect Dec. 1st, 1901.

TRAIN 39 — Leaves Wilmington at 3:05 P. M., arrives Lumberton 5.30 P. M., Pembroke 5:45 P. M., Maxton 6:15 P. M., Hamlet 7:15 P. M., Charlotte 10:30 P. M.

TRAIN 40 — Leaves Charlotte 5:00 A. M., Hamlet at 7:30 A. M., arrives Maxton 8:32 A. M., Pembroke 9:00 A. M., Lumberton 9:24 A. M., Wilmington 12.05 noon.

WESTBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Hamlet	.....	10.35 p m	6.30 a m
Ar Monroe	.....	12 15 a m	8.00 a m
Ar Charlotte	.....	....	9.35 a m
Ar Chester	.....	1.56 a m	9 45 a m
Ar Greenwood	.....	3.43 a m	11.52 p m
Ar Athens	.....	6.15 a m	2 15 p m
Ar Atlanta	.....	8.00 a m	4.50 p m

Close connection at Atlanta for Montgomery, Mobile, New Orleans and all points in Texas, Mexico and California; also for Chattanooga, Nashville, Louisville, St. Louis, Cincinnati, Chicago, and Western and Northwestern points.

SOUTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	.....	10.55 p m	6.40 a m
Ar Columbia	.....	1.00 a m	8.40 a m
Ar Savannah	.....	6.40 a m	12.00 p m
Ar Jacksonville	.....	9.08 a m	2.50 p m
Ar Tampa	.....	8.40 p m	5.00 a m

NORTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	.....	11.00 p m	7.40 a m
Ar Raleigh	.....	2.00 a m	1.05 a m
Ar Norfolk	.....	5.30 a m	11.00 p m
Ar Portsmouth	.....	7.15 a m	5.35 p m
Lv Hamlet	.....	10.40 p m	7.25 a m
Ar Raleigh	.....	1.40 a m	10.15 a m
Ar Norfolk	.....	5.30 a m	11.55 a m
Ar Petersburg	.....	6.54 a m	2.06 p m
Ar Richmond	.....	8.50 a m	3.40 p m
Ar Washington	.....	10.10 a m	6.10 p m
Ar Baltimore	.....	11.25 a m	11.25 p m
Ar New York	.....	4.18 p m	6.30 a m

Train 40 leaving Hamlet at 5.10 a. m. takes passengers from train 37, leaving New York at 1.00 p. m.; Baltimore at 5.45 p. m.; Washington 7.00 p. m.; Richmond 10.40 p. m.; Portsmouth 8.70 p. m.; Norfolk 8 30 p. m.; Raleigh 3.35 a. m. arriving at Hamlet at 6.20 a. m. From train 39 leaving Atlanta 6.00 p. m.; Athens 11.51 p. m.; Chester 4.00 a. m.; Charlotte 5.00 a. m.; Monroe 5.40 a. m.; arriving Hamlet 7.00 a. m.

From train 66 leaving Jacksonville 7.40 p. m.; Savannah 11.35 p. m.; Columbia 3.06 a. m.; arriving Hamlet 7.05 a. m.

Through Pullman sleepers from Hamlet to all points North, South and South West.

For tickets, Pullman reservations, etc., apply to Thomas D. Meares, General Agent, Wilmington, N. C.

R. E. L. BUNCH, General Passenger Agent.

JAS. M. BARR, 1st Vice Pres't and Gen'l Man. dec 7 tf

Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad

Time Table No. 16.

To Take Effect Sunday, Oct. 21, 1900, at 12.01 A. M.

GOING EAST. 5 Pass'g'r Trains: Arrive	Leave	STATIONS.	GOING WEST. 4 Pass'g'r Trains: Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	3 40	Goldsboro	11 05	.....
.....	4 55	Kinston	10 12	.....
5 40	5 50	Newbern	9 27	9 00
7 55	7 07	Morehead City	7 25	7 27
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.35 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 5 connects with Southern Railway train arriving at Goldsboro 1.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 4.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

oct 23 tf E. L. DILL, Supt.

New Goods.

Bagging and Ties,
New Mullets,

FIRST PAT. FLOUR,

2ND PAT. FLOUR,
STRAIGHT FLOUR,
SUGAR, COFFEE, RICE,
MEAL, GRITS, MOLASSES
WHEAT BRAN,
CANNED GOODS, SOAP,
LYE, STARCH, SALT, &c.

Send me your orders.

Special attention given to consignments.

S. P. McNAIR.

jan 26 tf

WILMINGTON SEACOAST R. R.

On and after Monday, September 23rd, 1901 the schedule on the Wilmington Seacoast Railroad will be as follows:

DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY.

Leave Wilmington.	Leave Wrightsville.
2 30 P. M.	8 15 A. M.
6 30 P. M.	5 15 P. M.

SUNDAY TRAIN.

Leave Wilmington.	Leave Wrightsville.
2 30 P. M.	5 15 P. M.
6 30 P. M.	

Freight must be prepaid and will be carried on the 8.30 P. M. train only.

sep 22 tf H. G. GRANT, Superintendent.

A Few Close-Outs.

$7 50 Mahogany Frame Silk Damask Seat Parlor and Reception Chairs at $5 00; $25 00 Quartered Golden Oak Side-board at $15 00; $25 00 Golden Oak Combination Sideboard and China Case at $17 50; $15.00 Genuine Lacquard Rug at $7 50; $7.50 Hall Chair, with Box, a $6 00; $10 00 Hall or Reception Chair at $9 00 Thirteen Ladies' Desks in Mahogy y Bird's Eye Maple Quartered Golden Oak and Twentieth Century finish at 20 per cent. discount from spot cash price.

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Furniture and Furniture Novelties,

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The Clyde Steamship Co.

New York, Wilmington, N. C., and Georgetown, S. C., Lines.

From New York for Wilmington.

GEO. W. CLYDE..... Saturday, Feb. 8
ONEIDA..... Saturday, Feb. 15

From Wilmington for New York.

ONEIDA..... Saturday, Feb. 8
GEO. W. CLYDE..... Saturday, Feb. 15

From Wilmington for Georgetown.

ONEIDA..... Tuesday, Feb. 4
GEO. W. CLYDE..... Tuesday, Feb. 11

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The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, FEB. 5.

THE BIDDLE BROTHERS' BODIES AT PITTSBURG.

Several Thousand People Passed Before the Coffins—Many Women Carried Flowers for the Dead.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

PITTSBURG, Feb. 4.—From nine to twelve o'clock to day the bodies of John and Edw. Biddle were exposed to public view at the undertaking establishment of L. Beinhauer & Son, on the southside, and during the three hours they were on exhibition several thousand persons passed before the coffins. In the crowd were probably as many women as men.

A few minutes before 9 o'clock the police arranged the morbid crowd into line and promptly at 9 o'clock the door of the mortuary was opened and the crowd passed in slowly and took a look at the remains of the youthful desperadoes. The body of Edward lay nearest the door and Jack was a few feet away. The bodies were in black caskets. The heads of the boys were turned so that the crowd could see them at a glance and the police kept the crowd moving all the time. The procession kept up through the three hours.

On the caskets of the Biddles were sprigs of fern and white carnations sent for the purpose by some woman whose identity is unknown. The flowers were sent to Undertaker Beinhauer with the request that they be placed upon the caskets and that it be known they were the gift of a woman.

The mob about the Beinhauer undertaking establishment became so great that the doors were closed by the police on account of the crush. Thousands of people, mostly women, were unable to gain admission to view the bodies, and for several hours after the closing of the doors hundreds lingered about the place hoping that the doors would be opened again. Many women carried flowers for the dead which they left with the undertaker to be placed on the graves to-morrow.

Dispatches from Butler report Mrs. Soffel steadily improving.

PANAMA ADVICES.

Revolutionary Steamer Libertador Sunk by a Venezuelan Gunboat.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

COLON COLOMBIA, Feb. 4.—It is reported here that the Venezuelan revolutionary steamer Libertador (formerly the British steamer Ban Righ) has been sunk by a Venezuelan gunboat while under repairs at Porto Colombia.

The report first gained circulation yesterday, but no confirmation could be obtained. It is said that the steamer had been lying up at Porto Colombia for the past few weeks, in need of repairs. The fact that the British warship Psyche left here yesterday for Porto Colombia is looked upon here as giving the Colon rumor confirmation.

STANDARD OIL COMPANY.

A Dividend of $20 Per Share Declared. The Decline in Stock.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—The directors of the Standard Oil Company, of New Jersey, declared a dividend of $20 per share. This is the same as for the corresponding quarter last year and the year before.

The declaring of the dividend on the Standard Oil prompted buying of the stock on the curb market up to 675, after which the price reacted, the later sales being made at 665. The long decline in the stock from above 800 to 615, at which it said within the last few weeks, is supposed to be due to belief that the dividend would be reduced owing to the decline in the price of oil, but it was reported to-day that the depression had been due to large liquidation growing out of recent financial troubles in Cleveland.

CUBAN RECIPROCITY.

Representatives Long and Babcock Discuss the Matter With the President.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—Representatives Babcock and Long, Republican members of the Ways and Means Committee, called on President Roosevelt to day and discussed with him Cuban reciprocity. It was stated to-day by a Republican member of the Ways and Means Committee that there was little further doubt that the committee would report some measure of Cuban reciprocity. Another member of the committee expressed the conviction that the rate of reduction would be about twenty or twenty five per cent. Other members of the committee insist that the minds of several members are still open and that definite conclusions as to the course of the committee are not yet warranted.

MISS ALICE ROOSEVELT.

Will Not Figure in the Coronation Ceremonies in Any Manner.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—Hon. Whitelaw Reid has invited Miss Alice Roosevelt, eldest daughter of the President, to accompany him to London as his guest when he goes to attend the coronation of King Edward. It is the present expectation of Miss Roosevelt to avail herself of this opportunity to see London, but if she does so she will have no status save that simply of a young American girl, and will not figure in the coronation ceremonies in any manner.

Norfolk Peanut Market.

NORFOLK, VA, February 1.—Peanut market dull; old stock and machine 2¼@2⅜c. New peanuts, fancy 3¼c; strictly prime 3c; prime 2¾c; Spanish 77½c.

It Girdles the Globe.

The fame of Bucklen's Arnica Salve as the best in the world extends round the earth. It's the one perfect healer of Cuts, Corns, Burns, Bruises, Sores, Scalds, Boils, Ulcers, Felons, Aches, Pains and all Skin Eruptions. Only infallible Pile Cure. 25 cents a box, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store.

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For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

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BRITISH REPLY TO DUTCH PREMIER.

Will Not Accept Intervention of Any Power in the South African War.

NEGOTIATIONS FOR PEACE.

Can be Entered Into, But Only in South Africa—Text of Lord Lansdowne's Reply to the Communication From the Netherlands.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

LONDON, Feb. 4.—The British government replied to Dr. Kuyper, the Dutch premier, that if the Boers in the field desire to negotiate for peace, negotiations can be entered into, but only in South Africa. The British government adheres to its intention not to accept the intervention of any foreign power.

The text of the reply of Lord Lansdowne, to the communication of The Netherlands, is as follows.

"*The Foreign Office, Jan. 29, 1902.*

Sir—You were good enough to lay before me, January 25th, a communication from The Netherlands government in which it was proposed that, with the object of bringing the war to an end, his majesty's government might grant a safe conduct to the Boer delegates now in Holland, for the people, enabling them to confer with the Boer leaders in South Africa. It is suggested that, after a conference, the delegates might return to Europe with power to conclude a treaty of peace with this country; and The Netherlands government intimate that in this event they might at a later stage be instrumental in placing the Boer plenipotentiaries in relation with plenipotentiaries who might be appointed by his majesty's government. The Netherlands government intimate that if this project commends itself to his majesty's government they will inquire of the delegates whether they are prepared to make the suggested visit to South Africa. It may, therefore, be inferred that the communication received was made on the responsibility of The Netherlands government alone, and without authority from the Delegates or leaders. His majesty's government have given it their best consideration and whilst entirely appreciative of the motives which led The Netherlands government to make this proposal, they feel they must adhere to the position adopted and publicly announced by them some months after the commencement of hostilities by the Boers, that it is not their intention to accept the intervention of any foreign power in the South African war.

"Should the Boer delegates themselves desire to lay a request for a safe conduct before his majesty's government, there is no reason why they should not do so. But his majesty's government, obviously, are not in a position to express an opinion on any such application until they have received it and are aware of the precise nature and grounds whereon the request is made.

"I may, therefore, point out that it is not at present clear to his majesty's government that the delegates retain any influence over the representatives of the Boers in South Africa or have any voice in their councils. They are stated by the Netherlands' government to have no such letters of credence or instruction of a later date than March, 1900. His majesty's government on the other hand understood that all the powers of government, including those of negotiation, were now completely vested in Mr. Steyn for the Boers of the Orange River Colony, and Mr. Schalk-Burger, for those of the Transvaal. If this is so, it is evident that the quickest and most satisfactory means of arranging a settlement would be by direct communication between the leaders of the Boer forces in South Africa and the commander-in-chief of his majesty's forces, who has already been instructed to forward immediately any offers he may receive, for the consideration of his majesty's government.

"In these circumstances, his majesty's government have decided that if the Boer leaders should desire to enter into negotiations for the purpose of bringing the war to an end, those negotiations must take place, not in Europe but in South Africa.

"It should, moreover, be borne in mind that if the Boer leaders are to occupy time in visiting South Africa, in consulting with Boer leaders in the field, and in returning to Europe for the purpose of making known the results of their errand, a period of at least three months would elapse, during which hostilities would be prolonged and much human suffering, perhaps, needlessly occasioned.

(Signed) "LANSDOWNE."

MRS. SOFFEL IS PENITENT.

Is Willing to Meet Any Fate the Law May Place Upon Her — Husband Not to Blame.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BUTLER, PA, Feb. 4.—Realizing that she has ruined her husband, Mrs. Soffel does not wish to bring further disgrace and humiliation upon him. She now desires a change of venue when she faces justice. In tears and with piteous pleading she made this request to Assistant District Attorney John S. Robb, Jr., of Allegheny county in the hospital here to-day.

She said she would go anywhere to have the punishment meted out to her for her disgraceful crime. She is willing to meet any fate the law may place upon her, but does not want the punishment administered in the court house across the street from her old home. She begged in the name of her husband, who is Mr. Robb's friend, and told him that her husband was in no way to blame for her shameful conduct.

Mrs. Soffel told the attorney that she was not a bad woman. She said while she knew that she had been charged with a crime against the State, she had never sinned. She pleaded that her act was brought about through her sympathy for the Biddles and not her passion.

Mr. Robb told her he was a friend of her husband and would like to lighten the burden of his sorrow and disgrace, but could not make any definite promise to her at this time.

The National City Bank, New York, has engaged $1,000 000 in gold for export on Thursday. Lazard Freres have engaged $1,500.000 for export, and Heidelbach, Ickelheimer & Company will ship $1,250,000 on Thursday. This brings the total export on Thursday to $3 750,000.

For Croup use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

For sale by Hardin's Palace Pharmacy.

SENATE PASSED BILL TO INCREASE SALARIES.

Urgent Deficiency Appropriation Considered—Tillman Has a Tilt With Hansbrough On the Noyes Case.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

WASHINGTON, Feb 4.—After brief discussion to day the Senate passed by a vote of 39 to 21 the bill for a twenty-five per cent. increase in the salaries of United States judges. All amendments were voted down, including one to increase the salaries of Cabinet officers from $8,000 to $12,500 a year.

Senator Bailey, Texas, delivered his first speech in the Senate in opposition to this bill. He believed that the present salaries of Senators and Representatives were sufficient. Salaries ought to be only such as will maintain the recipient in decency and in comfort—nothing more. He believed that it mattered little what salaries were paid government officials, as it seemed to be a rule among Washington people "to assess us so that we shall have nothing left at the end of the year, anyhow."

He was of opinion that the curse of official life in Washington was fast becoming the inability of the poor man to meet the expenses of official stations.

During the remainder of the day's session the urgent deficiency appropriation bill was under consideration, the Philippine tariff measure being laid aside temporarily to make way for the privileged supply bill.

Late in the session, taking advantage of the latitude of debate upon an appropriation bill, Senator Hansbrough, (N. D) made a spirited defence of Judge Arthur H. Noyes, of the District Court of Alaska, upon whom an attack was made in the Senate yesterday. This precipitated a long discussion of the Noyes' case, legal and technical rather than personal. No action could be taken on this subject, but the discussion will be continued to-morrow.

Senator Hansbrough declared the only charge for which Judge Noyes had been brought before the Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco was contempt of court.

Senator Tillman, citing the proceedings before the San Francisco court, declared that either the judges of that court were unworthy of their places or Judge Noyes and his assistants in contempt proceedings were, and Senator Hansbrough could take either horn of the dilemma.

Senator Hansbrough paid no heed to Senator Tillman's proposition.

Senator Hoar, stating frankly that he knew little of the merits of the case, conjectured that when those Senators who had applied harsh names to Judge Noyes became familiar with all the facts of the case, they would withdraw the terms they had applied to him.

Senator Tillman desired to have printed in the Record the decision of the Circuit Court of Appeals of San Francisco in the contempt case against Judge Noyes, but Senator McCumber, North Dakota, objected. He declared that the decision was unjust in every respect and said it should not go into the Record even with his tacit permission. He asserted that it was the result of an effort to create a prejudice against an able and conscientious officer and was based upon false conclusions. "I object to it, for an honest purpose," he declared, "to protect honest men."

"Then I will read it to the Senate in the morning," said Senator Tillman, hotly.

"Very well," retorted Senator McCumber, "read it."

The Senate then went into executive session and soon after adjourned.

House of Representatives.

The debate upon the Oleomargarine bill continued to-day in the House and the prospects are that a vote will not be reached earlier than Thursday.

The opponents of the bill are making a strong fight so far as the presentation of argument is concerned. The speakers to-day were Messrs. Tompkins, New York; Robb, Missouri; Knapp, New York; Bates, Pennsylvania; Davidson, Wisconsin; Driscoll, New York; and Hepburn, Iowa, in favor of, and Messrs. Cowherd, Missouri; Lanham Texas; Grosvenor, Ohio and Kuleberg, Texas, against the bill.

THE WATERBURY FIRE.

Report of Incendiarism Untrue—The Total Loss Not Over $1,500,000.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WATERBURY, CONN., Feb. 4.—Owners of the buildings in which the fire broke out on Sunday night pronounce the report of incendiarism to be untrue. The ruins are still smouldering and to-night the fire company was called out to extinguish an outbreak in one of the half demolished buildings. The National Guardsmen are still on duty. Preparations are being made by property owners to rebuild at once.

The estimate of loss by the fires has undergone a material reduction. A leading insurance man, whose firm had written policies on nearly all the buildings that were burned, said he was satisfied that the total loss would not exceed $1,500,000.

FOUND DEAD IN HER ROOM

Young Woman Student in Philadelphia Committed Suicide.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 4.—Belinda Riordan, aged about 30 years, whose home is at Troy, N. Y., a student in the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, was found dead to-day in her room at a boarding house in this city, having committed suicide some time last night. The body was lying upon the floor. In the breast over the heart were three gashes inflicted by a painter's palette knife and beside the body lay an empty vial that had contained carbolic acid. A tube, one end of which was attached to a gas stove with the other end resting beside the dead woman's face, indicated that she had also inhaled illuminating gas. The cause of the act is not known.

WOMAN SUFFRAGISTS.

The National Conference in Charleston, S. C., Closed Its Session.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Feb. 4.—The National Conference of Woman Suffragists which began here yesterday morning closed to-night. Addresses were made by Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, the president; Miss Helen Morris Lewis, of North Carolina, and Mrs. Maria T. Prentiss, of Charleston. Until to-night the attendance at the meetings has not been large, but many were curious to hear Mrs. Prentiss' first argument in public for woman suffrage. She is the widow of an eminent Protestant Episcopal minister of this city, and another of the speakers, Miss Lewis, is of an old Charleston family.

Kid McPartland, of New York, knocked out Otto Zieloff of Chicago, in one round at Milwaukee last night.

VESSELS LOST IN SUNDAY'S STORM.

Thirteen Persons, Crews of Three Coal Barges, Believed to Have Perished.

WRECK AT CAPE HATTERAS.

Lumber Laden Schooner Ashore—Crew of Eight Men Rescued by Life Savers—British Steamer Cloverdale Still Ashore.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—There is every reason to believe that three barges, coal laden, from Newport News for Boston, have been lost at sea as a result of the storm on Sunday night and that thirteen people comprising the crews have perished.

The barges were the Antelope, Belle of Oregon and the Mystic Belle. They were in tow of the tug Richmond and the finding of a piece of wreckage bearing the letters "O P. E" lends confirmation to other information at hand.

The Antelope loaded coal at Newport News for Boston. She was towed to New York by the tug Claverton and was there transferred to the Richmond, which was to have towed her to Boston. During the height of the blow the Richmond's heavy towing hawser snapped and the barges went adrift off Fire Island.

The tug Richmond belongs to the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad Company. Agent Willett, of that company, says that Sunday afternoon the Richmond in command of Captain McConnell left Liberty Island in New York bay with three barges in tow, coal laden. Each barge had on board three men. Besides these there were Captain Miller and his wife who acted as cook on the barge Antelope; Captain Harding on the Belle of Oregon and Captain Rogers on the Mystic Belle; a total of thirteen persons. The Antelope carried 1910 tons of coal; the Belle of Oregon 1590 tons and the Mystic Belle 1088 tons.

Agent Willett was in telephone communication this afternoon with Captain McConnell who had reached Newport, R. I. The barges, he said, were well out to sea at 6 o'clock on Sunday off the Long Island coast. The rope from the forward barge parted and the barges were blown away from the tug. Captain McConnell said he did not give up the hope of rescuing the men on the barges until it became too dark for him to distinguish them. The tug then made for Newport. Captain McConnell thinks the barges and those aboard of them have been lost.

Vessels Floated.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 4—The British steamer Cloverdale from Asiatic ports for New York, which grounded on Brigantine Shoal, near Atlantic City, N. J., on Sunday, remains in the same position. Tugs are working on her.

The four masted schooner Edith L. Allen, from Brunswick, Ga., for New York, grounded near the Cloverdale, was floated to-day with the assistance of tugs and proceeded north in tow.

The British steamer Drummond, Philadelphia for St. Thomas and the British steamer Europe, London for Philadelphia, which grounded in Delaware Bay, were also floated to day, uninjured and each proceeded to destination.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Feb. 4—The five-masted schooner Jennie French Potter went ashore on Prudence Island Sunday night, shortly after darkness fell. She is laden with 3 200 tons of coal and was bound to this port from Norfolk. Two tugs tried without success to pull her off this afternoon. She is resting easily and will probably come off to-morrow even ng.

Wrecked at Hatteras.

CAPE HENRY, VA., Feb. 4—The schooner Orlando V. Wooten, from Savannah to Baltimore with a lie lumber is ashore at Cape Hatteras. The crew of eight men were taken ashore by life savers and now are at the life saving station at Cape Hatteras. The vessel is in good condition and probably can be saved if assistance reaches her quickly.

ARMY POST BOARD.

Divergence of Views as to Location of New Posts—Gen. Miles' Position.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, February 4—The Army Post Board, which has been in session in Washington intermittently since November 25th last, concluded its labors and adjourned sine die today. The board was charged with the preparation of a scheme for the location and distribution of military posts It also was to locate the four great camps for the training of the soldiers of the regular army and their co operative drill with the militia. The report has not yet been made public.

It is understood that there has been a considerable divergence of views among the members of the board as to the location of new posts. Lieutenant General Miles, the president of the board, has taken a strong position against the location of new posts in the vicinity of great cities, on the ground that it can only be constructed as intended to menace organized labor, and he has gone so far as to enter a formal protest with Secretary Root against such location.

WARM WIRELETS.

The Mardi Gras carnival season opened at Pensacola, Fla., by the coronation at the Opera House of Miss Daisy Eyer, who was chosen by popular vote as queen of the floral parade.

An equipment agreement between the Seaboard Air Line and Vermilye & Company, New York, involves nearly one million dollars. It is for furnishing the road with locomotives, box cars and ten coaches.

The trial of Albert T. Patrick, accused of the murder of William M. Rice, was not continued yesterday owing to the absence of J. D. Campbell, a juror, who is ill. Adjournment was had until to-day.

The British steamer Knight Companion, from Portland, Ore., December 27th, for Yokohama and Hong Kong, is ashore on the east coast of Japan, with her deck swept. The passengers and crew have been landed.

Representative Cochran, of Missouri, yesterday introduced in the House a resolution inviting Paul Kruger, president of the South African Republic, to visit the United States as the guest of the country, and appropriating $25 000 for the expenses of his entertainment.

A Liverpool dispatch says: The agreement arrived at between the leading British, American and Continental steamship lines concerning both passenger and freight rates and which raises saloon rates to a uniform minimum, will come into operation in a few days.

NINE MEN KILLED IN A ST. LOUIS FIRE.

The Building Suddenly Collapsed and Came Down in a Heap—Besides the Killed a Number Were Wounded.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 4.—At least nine men were killed and as many more injured in a fire which broke out tonight in the five story stone and brick building located at No. 314 Chesnut street, occupied by the American Tent and Awning Company.

The building suddenly collapsed and, although the half dozen men who were caught in the crash had not been reached by their hard working companions two hours later, it is almost absolutely certain that they have succumbed.

The dead are: August Thierry, first assistant chief, caught in the ruins; Michael Kehoe, assistant foreman, caught in the ruins; Daniel Steel, foreman, caught in the ruins, and six pipemen, names unknown, caught in the ruins.

The building in which the fire originated was located in the old business section of the city and was about fifty years old. The fire which proved a hard one for the fire department to master, was practicably under control when suddenly with absolutely no warning the building collapsed and came down in a heap with a noise that could be heard for blocks. Three pipemen at work on the second floor had had difficulty in managing a line of hose and Assistant Chief Thierrey was on his way with three of his men to lend them aid when the building collapsed. The men went down with tons of iron, brick, stone and wooden columns enveloping them. Chief Swingley, who was in front of the building, directing his men, had a miraculous escape from death. As the front wall fell outward he scurried across the street and fell under the aerial truck. The truck was covered with debris and partially wrecked, and it was to its sheltering protection that the chief owes his life. Frank Lingo, driver of the truck, was directing a stream on the fire from the aerial ladder about forty feet from the ground when the wall fell. A portion of the debris struck him and he was hurled through the air to the ground, receiving probably fatal injuries.

Chief Swingley put his entire force to work at once in an effort to rescue the buried firemen, but although the men worked heroically they had not been able to reach the victims at midnight. It is certain that all are dead as tons of debris cover them.

Following is a list of losses:

American Tent and Awning Company $35,000; McLean estate, loss on building, $35,000; Herman Ruppell, job printer, $10,000; scattering, $5,000.

A premature explosion of nitroglycerine carelessly handled by an operative at the Cerberite Manufacturing Company's plant at Ardwick, Md., killed Richard J. Martin, the superintendent, and slightly injured two workmen.

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